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Meet Your Old Classmates at Homecoming

the auburn alumnews

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Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama

Homecoming . . .

Schedule Of Events

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

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| 2:00 P.M.-4:30 P.M. | Registration of Alumni, Alumni Office |
| 7:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M. | Pep Rally in Ross Square |
| 7:30 P.M.-10:00 P.M. | Alumni Open House, Green Room, Pitts Hotel |

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

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| 8:30 A.M. | Breakfast meeting of The Auburn Band Alumni Club, Pitts Hotel |
| 8:30 A.M.-10:00 A.M. | Morning Coffee and Alumni Registration, Student Center in Langdon Hall |
| 9:30 A.M. | Fiftieth Reunion of Class of 1900 |
| 9:30 A.M. | Giant Homecoming Parade, led by Miss Homecoming |
| 10:00 A.M.-Noon | Business meeting, Auburn Alumni Association, Langdon Hall |
| Noon-1:00 P.M. | Alumni Luncheon, Civic Room of Mell Street Cafeteria. No reservations necessary |
| 2:00 P.M. | Football Game; Auburn vs. Clemson |
| 9:00 P.M.-Midnight | Homecoming Dance, Student Activities Building |

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

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| 8:00 A.M. | Holy Communion, Episcopal Church |
| 9:00 A.M. | Mass, Roman Catholic Church |
| 11:00 A.M. | Regular Morning Worship Services, all Churches of Auburn |



SAMFORD Tower, the old landmark that all Auburn's men and women remember, looks down on an expanding campus today. Within its shadows more new buildings are growing daily. When you come back to Auburn for Homecoming you'll see both the new and old

AUBURN'S 1950 Homecoming week-end is shaping up as the biggest, busiest, and best in its history.

There'll be all of the traditional activities, the decorations, the pep rally, reunions, dances, the football game, but this year you'll find something extra about each one of the old Homecoming features. This year everyone connected with planning Homecoming has concentrated on making it a week-end to remember—one packed with activity.

And this year you'll find wonderful new additions to the Homecoming calendar. Additions that have been conceived, planned, and designed to add to your enjoyment of the big week-end. For example, Saturday morning you'll see a giant Homecoming Parade, led by Miss Homecoming and featuring the wonderful music of the Greater Auburn Band—the oldest college band in the South. There'll be plenty of colorful floats in the parade. Each fraternity and sorority will have one, as

will several other organizations.

And then there's the dance. You've always enjoyed it, but you'll have more fun than ever at the 1950 Homecoming Dance. This year you'll be dancing to the music of nationally famous Johnny Long and his fine orchestra.

As usual, you can expect Auburn to put on its best show of the year for Homecoming. All the fraternity houses will be decorated for the Blue Key Homecoming Decoration Trophy competition. This is the event that brings out the imagination of some of Auburn's most imaginative, and the results, you can depend on it, will be amusing.

Saturday morning, if you're a past member of the Greater Auburn Band, you'll want to be at their second annual breakfast meeting. They were organized just one year ago, and this Homecoming they intend to adopt a constitution and some by-laws. And they'll have breakfast, too.

But whoever you are, whatever your year, plan to register just as soon as you get here. If you're able to make it for the whole week-end and are arriving Friday, you'll be able to register at the Alumni Association Offices in the Textile Building until 4:30 in the afternoon. If you can't get to Auburn before Saturday, you can register at the Student Center in Langdon Hall from 8:30 until 10:00 in the morning.

The annual business meeting of the Alumni Association will be held Saturday morning in Langdon Hall, and that's another event you'll want to circle on your Homecoming schedule. It's at this meeting that the new officers for the coming year will be elected. This year, under the new rotating plan adopted a year ago, a president and three members of the executive committee will be named.

Of course, there's the football game Saturday afternoon. The Homecoming opponent this year is Clemson, and

kick-off time is 2:00. Last year the Plainsmen and Clemson's Tigers battled to a thrilling 20-20 tie in Mobile's Ladd Stadium. And during the half time ceremonies, Miss Homecoming and her court will be presented and that Auburn Band will put on another of their fine shows.

At the dance that night the Blue Key awards will be made during intermission. There'll be a trophy for the Auburn player who turned in the most outstanding performance in the Homecoming game, and there'll be another for the fraternity whose decorations are judged best.

Sunday morning all of Auburn's churches are having special Homecoming services, and you can close the week-end there if you wish.

It's going to be a wonderful week-end so if you haven't already done so start now making your plans to be here.

RETURN TO AUBURN FOR HOMECOMING . . . NOVEMBER 25

By Harry M. "Happy" Davis, '32

Executive Secretary
Auburn Alumni Association



Is Everybody Happy?

SEVERAL questions have arisen in regard to the affairs of the Association which I feel are of such proportion that I want to discuss them with you at this time. The few that we have room for in this issue will be confined, as far as possible, to the Greater Auburn Fund Program.

First, the Greater Auburn Fund is a program of "annual giving" created, promulgated, supported, adopted, sponsored, and stimulated by the alumni of Auburn—graduates and former students. Please note the key is "annual giving" and that it is a program sponsored by the alumni. It is not a "thing" promoted by any other group, agency, individual, or organization. It is your program, sponsored by your organization. You are it! (Wait 'till that one hits the English Department)

Second, each person, alumnus or friend of Auburn, "desiring to give" may do so according to his inclinations. No one is forced to give. You give annually as you are able or are inclined. Your gift is an outward expression of your loyalty to Auburn. Your giving is your way of choosing to express your feeling for your Alma Mater—a sacrament of sentiment. (Wow! What alliteration—and coming from me!)

Third, the success of such a plan is "everyone giving" something annually—but cheerfully! Not necessarily how little, but as a cheerful expression of loyalty—that's what you might call "giving goodness". (And, there I go again!) You don't have to give—that's for sure—but, perhaps some do feel the obligation to support a program since the program is one adopted by the alumni as their own.

Fourth—and perhaps most important—what happens to all the money? An annual audit is made and published in The Alumnews on all transactions of the Association, but let's take a simple example. You are the contributor, and you contribute \$5.00, making your check payable to the Auburn Alumni Association for dues. What happens? This

amount is credited to your record and the check deposited to the account of the Auburn Alumni Association for use in paying operational expenses. You are a contributor to the Greater Auburn Fund. You may desire to pay \$100 and become a Life Member. Again, you are a contributor to the Greater Auburn Fund. The Life Membership payments, like annual dues payment, are used for the purpose of paying operational expenses of the Association. The question arises, "May I pay a Life Membership and designate the fund for some other use?" An analysis of this will quickly show how impossible that would be. One sum cannot be used for two different purposes. Perhaps it might be interesting to point out that our Association is not self-supporting from dues received. Were it not for additional contributions, we could not exist.

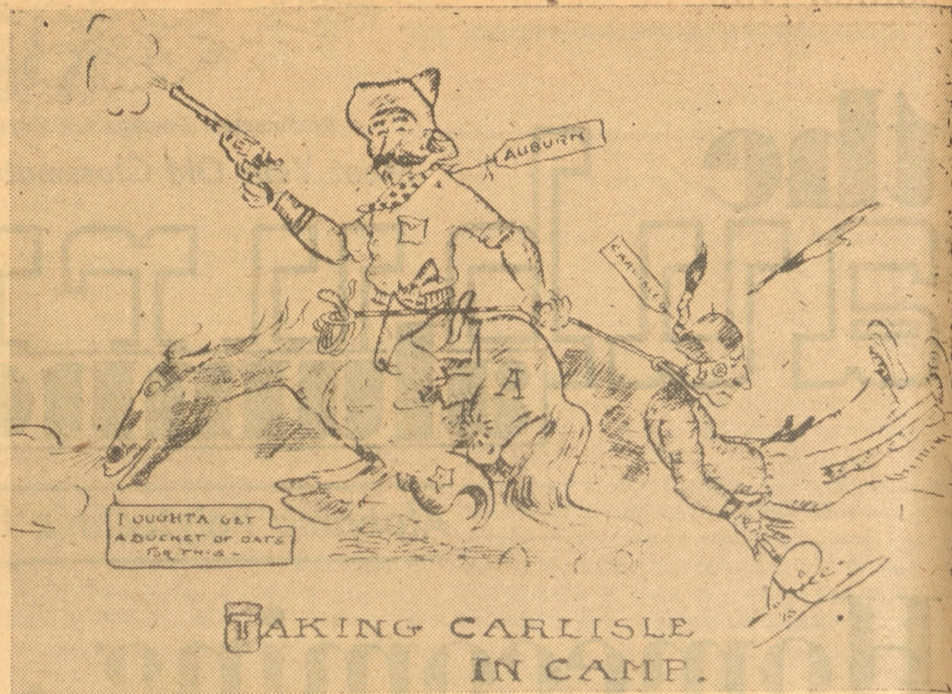
What happens to contributions? They are distributed to the agency to which they have been designated.

Already we have received gifts and contributions of sufficient size to create a little feeling of progress. We're contributing \$100,000 toward the Union Building. Scholarships in aid to athletics and to the various Schools on the campus have reached several more thousand. Space does not allow further discussion, but questions are welcomed.

If confusion has existed, it is over the point that one sum cannot be used for two different purposes and as to the allocation of unrestricted funds. Such allocation is made by the Executive Committee. If you wish to make a contribution, you are free to designate it to that phase of the Auburn program of most interest to you. If not designated, it will be allocated by the Executive Committee to that phase of education which the College deems most appropriate.

Certainly nothing could be more democratic and more worthwhile than the Greater Auburn Fund.

We want everybody to be happy!



THE Glomerata of 1915 carried this old drawing. There was quite a story behind it, too. Do you remember? If not, turn to page eight and try again

News Of The Clubs

Atlanta

A BUFFET dinner followed by a short business meeting was held by the Atlanta Auburn Club Friday night, October 20, at the American Legion Restaurant in Atlanta.

The meeting was in the form of a Pre-Tech game get-together and the Auburn coaches were introduced.

The admission price, \$5.00, included dinner for two and a 1950 dues paid card in the Atlanta Auburn Club. President of the Atlanta Club is Marion Talley, '34.

New York

THE Auburn Club of New York City will meet Wednesday, November 4. Alumni in the Greater New York area are invited by President Carl Wideberg, '20, to attend.

Mr. Wideberg may be reached at 825 Lawrence Avenue, Westfield, N. J.

Heart of Georgia

THE regular meeting of the Heart of Georgia Club, Macon, Georgia, was held Tuesday, October 10, at the Third Street Cafeteria in Macon.

Samuel R. Shi, '07, is president of the Heart of Georgia Club.

Montgomery

THE Montgomery Auburn Club held a luncheon meeting Wednesday, October 18, at the Whitley Hotel in Montgomery.

Frank Tennille, Jr., '34, is president of the Montgomery Club.

Chattanooga

THE Auburn Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee, met for a banquet Friday, October 13.

Ralph Thomas, '49, heads the Chattanooga Club.

Band Alumni Breakfast

ORGANIZED at the last Homecoming, the Auburn Band Alumni Club will hold its second annual Homecoming Breakfast this year.

Scene of the breakfast will be the Pitts Hotel at 8:30 Homecoming morning. That's Saturday, November 25.

Approximately 45 band alumni met last year, the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Greater Auburn Band—the oldest college band in the South. The Band Alumni Club is a part of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Mr. George A. Mattison, Jr., '19, of Birmingham, was elected first president at the founding meeting, and a committee appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws.

A Homecoming Committee has been appointed by President Mattison and

the committee has completed plans for the Band Alumni reunion this Homecoming. The constitution and by-laws will be adopted and a program of activity for the coming year will be mapped out. The program is expected to stress the promotion of fellowship among former bandmen and the furthering of the cause of the present day Greater Auburn Band.

In the Club's files are records of 350 band alumni. In addition, several hundred other former bandmen are known of but records on them are not available.

President Mattison urges all past members of the Greater Auburn Band to attend the breakfast and to take part in the Club's plans for that "Old Timers" Day.

ABOUT LIFE MEMBERSHIPS . . .

LIFE memberships in the Auburn Alumni Association may be obtained on an installment plan. As approved by alumni, the plan allows an alumnus to contribute \$20.00 each year for not more than five consecutive years.

THIS payment (\$20.00) makes the alumnus active for the fiscal year in which the contribution is made.

SOME alumni are paying their regular \$20.00 installment plus \$5.00 dues. This is not necessary in order to be an active member for that year. The Life Membership installment takes care of that.

ASSOCIATION headquarters has been adding this additional \$5.00 to the life payment plan, thereby increasing the payment to \$25.00 each year. This payment will pay the Life Membership of \$100 in four years instead of five.

FURTHER information concerning the Life Membership Plan may be obtained by writing the Alumni Office.

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Sports in Brief

Vanderbilt 41, Auburn 0

VANDERBILT'S quarterback ace, Bill Wade, bombarded the Plainsmen with five touchdown passes in Nashville as the Tigers dropped their second game of the season, 41-0.

After a scoreless first period, Wade suddenly found the range in the second quarter and led a nine-minute assault that netted the Commodores 34 points and left the Plainsmen reeling.

The first touchdown came when Fullback Jim Tabor ran seven yards after a Wade-to-Tabor pass covered 28 yards of a 58-yard drive. Auburn took the kick-off and on the second play Bill Tucker's pass was intercepted on the Tiger 25. A running play got four and then Wade hit Ed Bucky Curtis for another touchdown. The second conversion made it 14-0.

Again an Auburn miscue resulted in a Vanderbilt tally as the Commodores recovered Tucker's fumble at the Tiger 15 on the first play after the kick-off. On first down Wade uncorked another touchdown pass, this time to End Ted Kirkland. The conversion failed, but within two minutes Wade tossed 41 yards to Curtis for Vanderbilt's fourth score and Gordon McCarter booted the point. The touchdown was set up when the Commodores recovered an Auburn fumble on the kick-off.

Auburn received, ran three plays, and Captain Jim McGowen punted. Starting from the Plainsmen's 47, Vandy scored in four plays. Wade passed to Kirkland for 11. Tabor ran for three. Wade passed to Roderick for 22. With the ball on Auburn's 11-yard line, Wade passed to Robinson at the seven. Trapped by Tiger defenders, Robinson lateraled to Tackle Russ Falkinberry who bulled over for the fifth Vanderbilt touchdown. The conversion was good and the half ended 34-0.

The last Commodore touchdown came in the final quarter when Wade passed 38 yards to Cook. McCarter's fifth conversion made the score 41-0 and the game ended that way.

Vanderbilt rolled up 536 yards to 218 for Auburn. Wade's passes accounted for 275 yards. He completed 14 of 24 attempts. None were intercepted. Auburn connected on 10 of 24 passes for 116 yards. In spite of several punts that fell out of bounds, McGowen wound up with a 40.5 average on eight kicks.

S.L.C. 6, Auburn 0

PLAYING their first game of the season at home, Auburn suffered a 6-0 upset at the hands of little Southeastern Louisiana College.

Only twice were the Plainsmen able to penetrate S.L.C. territory. An Auburn fumble set up the Southeastern score. Recovering on the Tiger 34, the Lions took just four plays to drive to the game-winning touchdown.

Halfback Lou Campos started it with a nine-yard gallop. Two stabs at the line were stalled and then Campos broke over tackle and went all the way for the score. The second half was six minutes old when the S.L.C. touchdown was made.

The Tigers had to make a goal line stand in the second quarter to stave off a Lion drive. A Plainsman fumble was recovered by Southeastern at the Auburn 16 and three runs put the ball on the one. There the Tigers perked up and after two running plays were piled up for no gain Tackle Breece Barley rocked the S.L.C. carrier with a vicious tackle at the four. He fumbled and the Plainsmen took over.

Auburn's biggest opportunity came late in the first half when they recovered a Lion fumble at the Southeastern 20. Four plays netted the Tigers one yard and the visitors were out of the woods.

The Plainsmen outgained Southeastern, 203 yards to 119, but the Lions piled up nine first downs to only seven for Auburn.

Florida 27, Auburn 7

BEFORE a homecoming crowd of 30,000 in Gainesville, Florida, the Plainsmen lost their fourth game in as many starts as the Florida Gators beat them, 27-7.

Although they lost by three touchdowns, the Tigers were not that badly outclassed. The first quarter was scoreless, with Auburn having an edge in play.

Early in the second period the Gators recovered an Auburn fumble at the Tiger 28. After six plays had moved the ball to the six, Fullback Floyd Huggins went across for the first touchdown and after the conversion Florida led, 7-0.

The Gators took the second half kick-off and drove 70 yards in 11 plays for their second score. Huggins chalked up his second touchdown of the day on a 13-yard drive over tackle. The conversion missed.

Auburn started on its 25-yard line after the following kick-off and marched down the field for 75 yards and seven points. Captain Jim McGowen got the drive started with a 16-yard dash around end. After two plays, Quarterback Allan Parks passed to End Fred Duart who ran 38 yards to Florida's 30. A 15-yard sprint around end by Bill Davis put the ball on the 15 and three runs by Dwight Hitt, McGowen, and Davis moved it to the two. McGowen smashed across standing up for the touchdown. Tucker converted and the Tigers looked like a new team.

Scatback Jack Nichols grabbed Dudley Spence's kick-off and raced 80 yards for Florida's third tally. The conversion was good and Florida led, 20 to 7.

Auburn missed a scoring chance in the final quarter. Nichols fumbled a punt and the Plainsmen recovered at the Gator 28. The Tigers couldn't get past the 25 and Florida took over and from there drove to their last touchdown.

Billy Reddell went the last 44 yards in one slash and Florida won, 27-7.

Baby Tigers 6, Bullpups 0

FOR 50 minutes Coach John Williamson's Baby Tigers and the Georgia Bullpups sloshed and pawed at each other in a muddy Cliff Hare Stadium. Neither could keep the ball long enough to sustain a scoring drive, although the Tigers did threaten twice, one march stalling on the Georgia seven-yard line and another carrying to the 13.

Finally, when the 2,000 rain drenched fans were convinced the game would end a scoreless tie Auburn's Jim Dillion crashed in from right end and blocked Bobby Sherer's punt on the Georgia 28. The ball splashed in the watery mud and Auburn recovered on the Bullpup 13.

Fullback Charlie Littles plunged to the nine and Right Half Robert Duke took it to the eight. On third down Quarterback Vince Dooley spotted the towering Dillion over center, cocked his arm, and let fly. With a Georgia man on either side of him, Dillion took the toss over his shoulder at the one, bobbled it, crossed the goal, and finally pulled the slippery ball in for sure. The conversion was blocked and that was the ball game.

It was impossible to get an accurate picture from the game. A cold rain of near-cloudbust proportions struck moments before the kick-off and fell throughout most of the contest. The green turf was transformed into a field of mud, and the shivering spectators couldn't read the numerals on the players jerseys.

The Baby Tigers displayed one heartening ability: despite the miserable conditions they fumbled only twice and recovered one of these. On the other hand, Georgia committed eight fumbles and the Tigers fell on three of them. Especially impressive was the work of the Auburn safety man, Dooley.

Littles, Duke, Dooley, and Fullback Bob Burns performed well in the Plainsman backfield. Up front, Dillion and Left Tackle Don Stewart led an aggressive line that smothered the Bullpup attack.

Georgia Tech 20, Auburn 0

PLAYING their best game of the season, Auburn's crippled Tigers fought Georgia Tech right down to the final gun only to lose, 20-0. Under a leaden sky that intermittently drizzled rain, a crowd of 20,000 saw the Jackets score once on a pass interception, once after a short punt gave them the ball on Auburn's 27, and finally on a last-minute pass from the Tiger 14 capping a 35-yard march.

Earl Brown's Plainsmen gave a good account of themselves throughout the contest. Not once did they fumble. Opening the game with a rush, Auburn ticked off three first downs as they moved the ball from their own 24 to Tech's 42 before having to punt. The Tiger line was piling up the Engineer's attack, but Tech's forwards returned the favor.

The first break came late in the opening period when a McGowen punt was blocked and recovered by Tech at the Plainsmen's 22. The Jackets moved to the seven, but there the Tigers held and the quarter ended scoreless.

Tech scored its first touchdown midway of the second period when Bob McCoy got in front of a hurried pass by Quarterback Allan Parks and streaked 29 yards into the end zone. The conversion was missed, and Auburn finished the half with a flurry of passes from the Jacket 14.

The third quarter was scoreless, but a 60-yard punt by Quarterback Robby Robinson late in the period sank the Tigers into a hole they couldn't climb out of. With the ball on the Auburn

five, Captain Jim McGowen kicked out to the 27. Fullback Bobby North split the middle for 14 yards, and then the Tiger defense stiffened.

Five running plays later Quarterback Darrell Crawford sneaked over from the one and this time Red Patton converted to give Tech a 13-0 lead.

The Engineers opened up their bag of tricks after the second touchdown. A 40-yard pass play that went from Crawford to Weigle to Snider put the ball on Auburn's 13. Tech passed four times, and on the last toss Crawford hit Weigle for the touchdown. Patton again converted and the game ended, a minute later.

First downs were even at 12 each, but Tech outgained Auburn on the ground, 100 yards to 65, and in the air, 119 yards to 75.

Matmen Practicing

ALTHOUGH their first match is still more than two months away, Auburn's wrestling team, under the direction of Coach Arnold W. "Swede" Umbach, is already hard at work on the practice mat.

With five lettermen returning, Coach Umbach believes his 1951 squad will be stronger than the '50 team, which was good enough to win the SEAAU championship.

The first opponent will be the Memphis Naval Training team, a newcomer on the Tiger schedule. The match is set for January 15 at the Sports Arena.

Harriers Open Season

AUBURN'S cross-country team, with three more meets ahead of it, is better balanced than the '49 squad, although such outstanding performers as Whitey Overton, Tommy Steele, and Jimmy Mitchell are missing this year.

Returning veterans include Cary Green, Jim Jennings, Duncan Bryant, and Nick DiLaura.

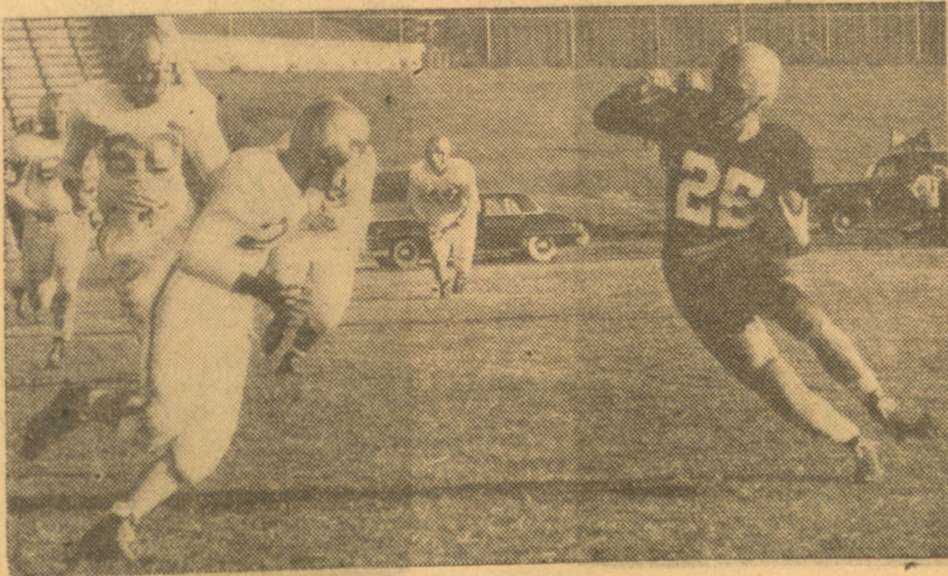
Their first meet, with Florida at Auburn, was run October 30, before our press time. Next on the schedule is the University of Alabama. Auburn will journey to Tuscaloosa for the meet November 6. The following week Georgia Tech is the opponent in Atlanta and the season closes November 20 with the S.E.C. meet in Atlanta.

Cagers Limber Up

THREE lettermen, including Captain Bill Lynn, were gone from last year's team when Coach Joel Eaves, '37, called the candidates for the 1950 basketball squad together for their first workout October 11. Despite the loss, Eaves was surrounded by familiar faces. Thirteen members of the '49 team were on hand, nine of them lettermen. Eaves, whose first-year Auburn cagers compiled a highly respectable 17-7 record, may find his veterans a comfort to have around. He has added Tennessee and Kentucky, both perennial national powers, to this year's schedule.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

date	opponent	place
Nov. 27	Troy State	Auburn
30	B'ham Sou.	B'ham
Dec. 1	Howard	B'ham
6	B'ham Sou.	Auburn
9	Mississippi	Auburn
13	Howard	Auburn
19	Alabama	Tuscaloosa
Jan. 5	Kentucky	Lexington
6	Vanderbilt	Nashville
8	Tennessee	Knoxville
13	Georgia	Auburn
18	Alabama	Auburn
27	Georgia	Athens
31	Ga. Tech	Atlanta
Feb. 3	Tulane	Auburn
5	L.S.U.	Auburn
10	Alabama	Tuscaloosa
14	Ga. Tech	Auburn
17	Florida	Gainesville
23	Florida	Auburn
24	Miss. St.	Auburn



TRAPPED deep in Tiger territory in the S.E.L. game. Auburn lost, 6-0 is Auburn Halfback Bill Davis, of Co-

Research-Instruction-Extension

The Story Still Grows

Fishponds, Wildlife

By P. O. Davis, '16, Director
A.P.I. Agricultural Extension Service

ABOUT a dozen years ago the A.P.I. Experiment Station announced a program for putting science into fish production. This program, in brief, told how to make a fishpond, how to stock it with fish, and how to manage it to produce fish for good fishing.

Fertilizer was a part of it. The impression was made on some people that fish were to be fertilized. They didn't realize, of course, that fertilizer was to increase production of aquatic vegetation for fish to eat the same as fertilizer on a pasture stimulates grass growth for cattle.



Director Davis The idea took hold immediately. Non-farm people were the first to respond in a big way, but farmers too became active. They still are.

The results have been remarkable. Earl Kennamer, who is our wildlife specialist, tells me that during the last decade 7000 fishponds, covering 20,000 acres, have been made and are now in operation.

He added the startling estimate that the 7000 ponds on 20,000 acres of Alabama land produce around three train-loads of fish each year.

But fish isn't all. These ponds are valuable for recreation, for water for

livestock and irrigation, and for other purposes.

Earl added that farm owners had an income last year of \$272,906 for fishing permits and rights. In this way thousands of people who are unable to have a fishpond of their own enjoy those made, maintained, and operated by others.

Still the story grows. The fish bait business in Alabama last year was worth \$146,725. It appears, therefore, that some people fish for fish while others fish for fishermen.

But, fish are only one segment of our wildlife program. Quail is another. Hunting rights for quail were sold last year for \$186,280. Pelts from wild animals trapped were valued at \$106,353.

In each of these projects the money value was minor. The major contribution was to the art of living delightfully and pleasantly.

An additional value is that of laying the foundation for more wildlife for the future. The old practice of slaughtering game animals is disappearing. Real sportsmen have taken over.

They realize that people of the future have an equity in the wildlife of the present. Consequently the basic aim is to preserve, improve, and use wisely for the present and also for the future.

The job is too big for any one group. It is for all of us working together among our selves and in cooperation with nature.

Reclaimed by Research

The Black Belt

By K. G. Baker, '40, Superintendent
Black Belt Substation

MORE than two and a quarter million acres of farm land extends in an irregular strip east and west across the central part of Alabama. This is the Black Belt, so named because of the color of some of its soil.

Before the advent of the boll weevil in 1914 the chief cash crop of the area was cotton. Corn was grown to produce feed for work animals.

The coming of the boll weevil made the Black Belt the number one agricultural problem of the entire state. This was due to two factors: the characteristically heavy clay soils of the region and the excessive winter rainfall. These combined made it impossible to plant cotton early and rush it to maturity ahead of the weevil.

Then, in 1930, the Black Belt Substation—a branch of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station at Auburn—was established in Dallas County near Marion Junction. From the beginning, work on this substation has been aimed at developing information that would enable the Black Belt farmer to utilize his land and his labor to yield the greatest possible profit.

The results of 20 years of experiments prove that Black Belt soils are better adapted to production of pastures, hay crops, and oats than to the production of cultivated row crops. The per acre yields of beef and milk made possible by the use of recommended kinds and amounts of fertilizers on adapted crops have attracted national attention.

A comprehensive program has been carried on at the substation to determine the value of fertilizer elements as well as the adaptability of crops to the soil and climate.

An important part of the experimental program has been establishment of permanent pastures. Over a 10 year period the yearly application of 400 pounds of superphosphate per acre has almost doubled the annual per acre yield of beef. This increase of 147 pounds (from 159 to 306) has been made at a fertilizer cost of only \$2.19 per hundred pounds.

The potential net value of applied research, measured by the increase in milk and beef at current prices, would amount to more than \$29,000,000 annually if applied to only one-half the Black Belt acreage. Thus the increased returns in one year would equal the state appropriation made to carry on this research program for 1973 years.

Since the establishment of the Substation 20 years ago the prices of Black Belt land have more than doubled. Some of this increase may be attributed to general overall price rises, but a large part of the increase in value is directly due to the development of research information that has made it possible to almost double production per acre.

This management plan for farm and livestock has ended the trend of ever decreasing soil fertility and has started a trend of increasing fertility.

The Loveliest Of The Plains

LAST summer Plainsman Editor Ed Crawford inaugurated a new feature in the campus weekly.

Faced with the editor's usual summer dilemma, a shortage of both news stories and reader interest, Crawford and Managing Editor Graham McTeer put their heads together and came up

with what they hoped would be a partial solution.

With the assistance of College Photographer Barton Perry, '44, Crawford and McTeer began a series of pictures featuring Auburn's coeds. It proved to be one of the most popular features ever run in The Plainsman.

Many of the pictures have been picked up by newspapers throughout the state, and they were usually given front page space. So great was the popularity of the series on the campus that when Bruce Greenhill succeeded Crawford as editor of the student newspaper he decided the "Loveliest" had to become a

regular feature.

In the belief that a beautiful girl is always of interest to our readers, and especially so when the girl is an Auburn coed, The Alumnews is bringing the evidence of Greenhill's judgement right into your home.



A SOPHOMORE in education from Birmingham, Sara Salter takes her place among the lovely Auburn coeds. Sara,

a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority, was a member of the Miss "A" Day Court during "A" Day celebration



NANCY Salvo, another of the "Loveliest" series, was named Sweetheart of Sigma Chi last spring. A member of Phi

Mu sorority, Nancy is a senior in science and lit from Birmingham. She was a "Favorite" in the '50 Glomerata

Alumnus Of The Month

IN Opelika this winter two happy young people are enjoying their third winter in their own home. It is a beautiful house, low and rambling, with mellowed old bricks and pine paneling and just enough glass to give it a touch of sophistication.

It's a comfortable home, one designed to be lived in, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hitchcock are very happy there. For Billy, it is only natural that he make his home near Auburn. It was to Auburn that he came from Union Springs, a tall slender young athlete determined not to live on the fame of his older brother, Jimmy.

Jimmy was one of Auburn's greatest football players. He made the All-American team in his senior year, 1932, and when Billy came along Jimmy was back at Auburn as backfield coach. At first Billy thought it would be better to enter another school, but he wanted to come to Auburn. The Hitchcocks were an Auburn family, and the tie was strong. Finally, in spite of some inner misgivings, he enrolled at A.P.I. He has never been sorry.

The youngest of the Hitchcock brothers made a fine record at the Plains. He did it on his own. Billy was outstanding in both football and baseball. He captained the baseball team in his senior year and was alternate captain of the football team. The 1938 Glomerata termed him "the best safety man in the country."

He was signed off the campus by the New York Yankees, and has made professional baseball his career.

"The boys really played . . ."

WHEN Billy was a sophomore Coach Del Morgan was worried about finding a shortstop. He had some fancy fielders, but he wanted someone who could hit. He tried Hitchcock, and the youngster from Union Springs came through. He finished the season batting .397 and was the Tigers' leading hitter. In his junior year he again led the batters with a mark of .391. He was elected captain in his senior year but a bad knee injury, sustained in football, kept him from playing.

This same injury prevented him from making the trip with the football team when they played in the Orange Bowl in Miami January 1, 1938. It was Auburn's only bowl appearance, and they beat Michigan State, 6-0. Billy listened to Ted Husing call that one over the radio. He was at Johns Hopkins Clinic in Baltimore taking treatments for the knee. "I certainly did hate to miss it," muses Billy today. "The boys really played a game that day."

But there were plenty of games he didn't miss, and plenty of games that found Auburn fans and sports writers alike singing the praises of Billy Hitchcock.

For example, in 1936 the Plainsman beat Georgia Tech, 13-12. That's the story as far as the bare record goes. Actually, the story of that game started two weeks before it was played. Auburn went over to Columbus and beat Georgia, 20-13. That night the team got on the train and left for San Francisco, where they were scheduled to play Santa Clara the following Saturday. It was a long trip, and in spite of regular stops and workouts along the way the boys were tired when they arrived on the coast. The Broncos handed them a 12-0 defeat, and a weary band of Tigers climbed on the train and headed home to Auburn.

They got back the following Wednesday night. Thursday they worked out in Auburn and Friday they were headed for Atlanta and Georgia Tech. Coach Hutsell remembers that "the boys were just worn out." But Saturday they had enough pep left in them to score 13 points on the Engineers in the first half and then fight off a second



BECKY and Billy smile together as they remember a story connected with the baseball souvenir. Their favorite room is this den, which they converted

from a breezeway. Two of Billy's many pipes are on the table. The miniature ball player on the wall has run right out of the picture after the baseball

half rally that netted the Jackets a pair of touchdowns. Billy Hitchcock scored one of those Tiger touchdowns and he did it in a way that surprised even Coach Hutsell, who was trainer then. Billy went back under a punt and from some unknown pool of reserve energy he pulled up a bucketful.

Not Glory, Just Luck

TECH men were converging on him from every angle, but the smooth running Hitchcock took off for the far sideline and the Auburn blockers went to work. As Billy strung the Techsters out his teammates mowed them down. He reached the sidelines and was still hemmed in, so he reversed his field and headed back the way he had come. Finally, spotting an opening, he picked up interference and started to move toward the goal. He went all the way.

The run went into the books as a 62-yard punt return, but there's no telling how far he ran before he got it lined up.

Billy remembers that game too, but not as an afternoon of glory. "We were lucky to win that one. After the half we were all too tired to do much. Tech moved the ball up and down the field and scored twice. They should have scored more, but something always seemed to happen when they got near the goal. When the game ended they were right back down there again. They must have gained over 400 yards and I'll bet we didn't get much more than 100."

A Recommendation, A Rope

AFTER he'd played high-school football for Union Springs for three years Billy got a chance to go to prep school at Staunton Military Academy in Virginia. Captain Lou Louisell, an old Auburn tackle who played on the undefeated, unscored on team of 1915, was

stationed at Staunton and when someone higher up decided the academy needed an athlete from the deep South he wired Chet Wynne, then coaching at the Plains, for a recommendation.

Although he was still just a kid from Union Springs, Billy had already caught the eye of the Auburn coach. Remembering, perhaps, the greyhound-grace of Jimmy Hitchcock, Wynne shot back his reply; "Take Billy Hitchcock, of Union Springs." And take him they did.

Billy starred in football, baseball, and basketball at the military school. He might have lettered in boxing, too, but the seasons overlapped with the major sports and he never had time to go out.



"TO my friend Bill Hitchcock, on and off the field the captain of my all-star team." That's what Catcher Birdie Tebbets of the Boston Red Sox put on the photo of himself he gave Billy. This picture shows our Alumnus of The Month when he was a member of the Sox

His record at S.M.A. was outstanding not only athletically but also scholastically. He attended the Academy for only one year, but in that year he posted an academic average of 96.2 to rank second in the school. In his second semester he earned the highest average in the Academy.

Jake, who operates an electrical appliance store in Auburn and who was recently elected to the City Commission, remembers Billy best as a lanky youngster who loved to run. "When Bill was about 15 we had an amateur baseball team in Union Springs and we played an All-Hitchcock infield. Bully (Walter B. Hitchcock, '27) was manager and played first base, Jimmy was on second, Billy played shortstop, and I played third base.

"Billy was crazy about base running. Every time he got on he thought he had to steal. He took such long leads that the catcher or pitcher picked him off a lot, but if they didn't, he'd steal that base. He never thought about the score, or whether it was smart to steal that base. He never thought about the bag. Finally Bully told him that it looked like we were going to have to put a rope on him to keep him on base."

Away and Running

BILLY was still running when he came to Auburn. He was used as safety man, and he was always dependable there. He broke into the lineup in the first game of his sophomore year as the Tigers beat Birmingham-Southern, 25-7, under the lights in Montgomery. Throughout that year, 1935, the sports pages echoed the same story week after week—"Hitchcock's long runs helped win for Auburn . . .", "The game was featured by the running of Billy Hitchcock . . .", "Outstanding for Auburn were Billy Hitchcock, . . ."

"Jimmy's little brother" was fast disappearing, obscured by the flying feet, flashing runs, and needle-eye passing of Billy Hitchcock, of Union Springs, Staunton, and finally, as it had to be, Auburn.

As is often the case with outstanding athletes, Billy displayed a truly well-rounded personality while in school. Although participation in sports kept him heavily occupied throughout the school year, he finished Auburn with a scholastic average of almost 90. In recognition of his achievement, he was tapped by Phi Kappa Phi.

He also served as president of the "A" Club, brigade colonel of the ROTC unit, was a member of the Publications Board, Scabbard and Blade, Omicron Delta Kappa, Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges, Sigma Nu social fraternity, and Spades.

Time Out For Wedding Bells

AFTER his graduation Billy played professional baseball first with the Kansas City Blues. He was a member of that club for three seasons, 1939, 1940, and 1941. Just before the '41 season he came back to Alabama and married Rebecca Rice, of Opelika. Becky was then a student at Auburn. She had gone to Ward-Belmont for a year and to Auburn to finish school, but when she and Billy were married on March 8, 1941, she forgot about finishing school.

When the war came along it caught Billy just entering the major leagues. His contract had been purchased by Detroit in 1942, and in August of that year he entered the Army. When he was discharged in February, 1946, he had risen higher in rank than any other active big league player. He was a major in the Air Corps. For eleven

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Auburn In October

SCHOOL had opened, classes were under way, quizzes were being given, and the freshmen had already become accustomed to the weekly Thursday night pep rally. It should have been normal, but something was wrong.

Squires, the sophomore men's honorary organization, completed plans for their annual "Hey Day" and prepared to pin name cards on every student. Then, on Thursday, October 19, it happened. For the first time in almost a month it rained in Auburn.

Undaunted, the Squires started pinning. All day it rained; all day they pinned. Students were greeting each other on the campus with an "I-told-you-it-would" expression, and the next day when 2,000 sopping wet spectators cheered the Baby Tigers as they out-splashed the Georgia Bullpups, 6-0, in one of the wettest, muddiest, rainiest, coldest football afternoons in years the spirit reached its highest point of the season.

It was raining, and Auburn was back to normal.

Glomerata Confusion

THE first October issue of *The Plainsman* carried a story of no little importance to the Auburn student. Ellwood Burkhardt, elected editor of the 1951 *Glomerata* in last spring's elections, had resigned.

A reserve officer in the Army Corps of Engineers, Burkhardt had been summoned to active duty. His resignation left work on the book floundering, but much of the slack was soon taken up by Business Manager Graham Everidge and Managing Editor Harry Knowles. Still, the editor's empty chair had to be filled and the task fell to the Publications Board, at that time still unappointed. With five months of the working year already history, there was no time for another campus-wide election. The Board had no alternative.

In what the student newspaper termed "an almost unprecedented move," the Student Executive Cabinet had rejected the eight faculty-picked nominees for the Board. (Four of the eight are selected by the Cabinet for Board membership. Four faculty members and a chairman complete the Board.)

Headed by Chairman Bill Wilson, junior representative, the committee named to investigate the faculty list reported to the Cabinet that four of the nominees were unacceptable due to "unsatisfactory qualifications." Two more were struck because they held policy-making positions on *The Plainsman*. The remaining two were given a stamp of approval, and to this core the committee added the names of six students possessing "the necessary qualifications."

The revised list was sent back to Chairman T. C. Clark and the faculty members of the Publications Board who immediately approved it and returned it to the Cabinet for final action.

From the list the Cabinet named Ed Crawford, Harry Golemon, Jim Huey, and Jim Kendrick. At last the Publications Board was ready to come to grips with the problem of finding an editor for the *Glomerata*.

Applications were called for, and after two weeks devoted to interviewing candidates (there were three) the Board named Harry Knowles editor.

A senior from Birmingham, Knowles is taking physics. For the first time in the memory of most students *The Glomerata* will be edited by a non-architect.

"A very merry place . . ."

A FOOTBALL stadium during a pep rally is a "very merry place." That's the way Gunars Grube, Auburn's first

displaced person student, sees it. Born in Burtnieki, Latvia, in 1928, Gunars entered A. P. I. in September. He is being sponsored by Auburn's Canterbury Foundation.

He has been granted a one year scholarship by the college covering all his tuition and fees. Mrs. Jean Varner Baird, who operates the Green House, is donating his meals. Miss Lucille Burton is furnishing his books and supplies with no charge. The Canterbury Foundation will supply him with spending money and he has been given a free pass to the Tiger Theater. He lives in the Episcopal church tower and a part time job helps him meet some expenses.

Moore at The Helm

RECENTLY named to edit the bi-monthly NROTC publication, *The Helm*, was Gene Moore, a junior in journalism from Tampa, Florida.

Moore, whose journalistic activities also include service as associate editor of *The Plainsman*, succeeded Herbert Burton as editor of the Navy paper. He will hold office for the coming year. Burton remains as an associate editor.

As his associate editor, Moore named Jim Everett, a junior in agriculture from Rockmart, Georgia. Like Editor Moore, Everett is an associate editor of *The Plainsman*. Both write columns in the campus weekly.

Pi Tau Sigma Elects

PRESIDENT of Pi Tau Sigma, honorary mechanical engineering fraternity at Auburn, is John D. Holley, Wetumpka. Other officers are Vice President R. B. Gaither, Staten Island, N. Y.; Corresponding Secretary Edward H. Silber, Chicago, Ill.; Recording Secretary Joseph D. Clem, Birmingham; Publicity Secretary Donald E. Spann, Birmingham; Alternate Council Representative Robert S. Sholtes, Jacksonville, Fla. Club advisor is Professor Edward O. Jones.

Auburn To Debate

THE Auburn chapter of Tau Kappa Alpha, national honorary forensic society, will enter two teams in the TKA Regional Debate Tournament to be held at the University of Florida in Gainesville November 3-4.

Each team will debate five times the question, "Resolved, That the Non-Communist Nations Should Form A New International Organization."



DURING October Auburn's students kept the Student Activities Building in constant use. Five dances, four of them free, were held there

Campus Politics

FIRST official action of the new school year taken by the Political Activities Committee of the Student Executive Cabinet was the setting of a date for election of Miss Auburn and freshman officers.

Both elections will be held Thursday, November 9. Only members of the freshman class are eligible to cast ballots in the freshman election. All students may vote in the Miss Auburn election.

Murder He Says

"THEY claim they're college graduates, but listen to the way they murder the English language." That once-valid observation will soon be a thing of the past as far as Auburn students are concerned if the Council of Deans has its way about things.

A ruling recently adopted by the Council made it compulsory for every first-quarter junior at A. P. I. to take an English proficiency examination Tuesday, Oct. 17. The ruling was adopted on recommendation of a committee headed by Dr. Sherwood C. McIntyre of the School of Education. According to a spokesman for the Council, the reason for adopting the new policy was that a number of college graduates are not proficient in the use of English. The test is designed to determine the standing of Auburn undergraduates in comparison with the students of other institutions.

All students who satisfactorily passed the examination are excused from any further English proficiency test.

Hahns Escape Reds

"THE Koreans are paying a high price for their freedom. They experienced a real and terrible war."

That message was in a letter recently received by Chang Suk Hahn, '50, of Seoul, Korea, who is now doing graduate work at Cornell University. The letter was from his father, who was Dean of Theology at Seoul's Chosun Christian University when the city was overrun by North Korean Red forces. It was Hahn's first communication from his family since the Korean war started June 25.

The Hahn family, including four small children, fled from their home in the South Korean capital, Seoul, to the southern city of Pusan.

Music Festival Here

PROFESSOR Edgar Glyde has announced that the 1951 All-State High School



IRIS Ferguson, a senior in science and literature from Talladega, represented A.P.I. in the state-wide Maid of Cotton contest. She finished second

Orchestra Festival will be held at Auburn April 5-7.

Glyde added that rating competition for students who play orchestral instruments will be held in conjunction with the festival.

Ottaker Cadek, of the University of Alabama Music Department, has been chosen guest conductor for the festival.

Players to Present Hart

FALL production of the Auburn Players will be "Light Up The Sky", a Moss Hart satire on people in the theater.

Telfair Peet, associate professor of dramatic arts, will direct the production. It will be presented on the campus November 15-18 and November 20-25.

"Messiah" in Rehearsal

NOW hard at work on the sixth annual presentation of Handel's "Messiah", Hollace E. Arment, head professor of music, has seen the Christmas production develop into an Auburn tradition.

Rehearsals began October 16 under the direction of Richard L. Collins, of the music department staff. Orchestra rehearsals are being directed by Edgar C. Glyde, who will conduct the final performance. Another member of the music department, John W. Tamblyn, will accompany at the organ.

As is customary, the chorus will be composed of singers from the college choir and glee clubs, and residents of Auburn, Opelika, and other nearby towns.

McLain Heads AIO

BUSTER McLain, a sophomore in agriculture from Cragford, is president of the Auburn Independent Organization for the coming year. Other officers are First Vice President Billy Little, Pigeon Creek; Second Vice President Jackie Petty, Tanner; Third Vice President Gus Wingard, Wetumpka; Treasurer Joe McKay, Guin; Publicity Director George Hindricks, Evergreen.

Bennett Named

A FORMER faculty member of the University of Southern California has been named assistant professor of speech and head of the Auburn Speech and Hearing Clinic. He is Clayton L. Bennett, who prior to his Auburn appointment served as a member of the clinical staff of the Speech and Hearing Clinic at U. S. C.

Originally from Nebraska, Professor Bennett holds both A. B. and M. A. degrees from Southern California and is now completing his Ph. D. requirements. He replaces Dr. Eldon K. Jerome, who resigned to accept a position at West Virginia University.

A Time For Heroes

SECOND Lieutenant Douglas W. Blalock, '48, was in the middle of the bloodiest of the Korean action. A member of the U. S. 24th Infantry Division, he was among the gallant little band of Americans and South Koreans who helped stem the Red avalanche during the disheartening days of June and July. Desperately short of everything except raw courage, they fought the invaders until U. N. strength could be built up for the victory.

It was a time for heroes. In the steaming tortuous Korean mountains none save the bravest dared battle a ruthless foe who was superior in both equipment and numbers.

During some of the heaviest fighting in late July Lt. Blalock was engaged in a U. N. movement against a North Korean-held village. The road there had to be reopened to friendly troops, and Lt. Blalock was directing his automatic weapon against the enemy.

He was last seen advancing against their position. After the village had been taken, Lt. Blalock could not be found. He was officially listed as missing in action.

Later he was awarded the Silver Star for his heroism, but his pretty

These Honored Dead

SECOND Lieutenant Stewart Melvin Baker, Jr., '50, of Andalusia, was killed in action in Korea last September 22.

Lt. Baker, a distinguished military student in ROTC, was a member of the March graduating class. He was commissioned in the Regular Army and entered active duty April 1.

While working as a forward observer with the infantry Lt. Baker was wounded in the left

arm and chest by a mortar blast. According to information reaching the Alumni Association office, he was the first Auburn alumnus to sacrifice his life in the Korean campaign.

A member of Kappa Alpha fraternity, Lt. Baker is survived by his parents, Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Baker, of Andalusia, and by two sisters, Mrs. Forney Renfro, of Opelika, and Mrs. A. M. Cory, of Ft. Benning, Georgia.

Have Not Died In Vain

young wife in Heflin, Alabama, and his little son Bill would have traded all the medals in the world for his safety.

The days dragged on into weeks, and the forces of the United Nations, their strength ever growing, began to retake more and more lost positions. The U. S. Marines landed at Inchon, and far to the south U. S. Army and

South Korean troops broke through the Red lines and raced northward. The capital city of Seoul was retaken and the Red retreat became a rout.

As the U. N. forces advanced they began to liberate many of the prisoners the Reds had taken in their invasion. Stories of the terrible atrocities committed by the North Koreans filled the newspapers, and in Heflin Mrs. Blalock

prayed that Doug would be among one of those groups liberated.

Late in October her prayers were answered. She read news dispatches relating that her husband had been captured August 9 near Yongsan by the North Koreans and had just been released.

Lt. Blalock was held prisoner in Seoul until the Marines landed just to the south September 15. Then he and his group were taken on the brutal march to Pyongyang.

He told of the inhuman treatment the prisoners suffered at the hands of their captors. "The Reds had no consideration or any feelings of human decency," said Lt. Blalock. "If a man were so weak he couldn't stand up, they beat him over the head. I guess at least a hundred of the boys died along the way."

But today Lt. Doug Blalock is in friendly hands. He is recovering from the two months he spent in the Red prison camps, and in Heflin Mrs. Blalock goes about her everyday duties with a smile that won't fade. Even two-year old Bill knows that his dad, although still far away, has been returned to him.

He Flew and Fought Unarmed

AFTER 79 missions over Korea within a period of two months, First Lieutenant James A. Bryant, '45, has been returned to a Fifth Air Force Base in Japan.

Lt. Bryant, a veteran of 16 months overseas duty in World War II, belonged to the Mosquito organization of pilots. This group, consisting mostly of experienced flyers, were assigned to fly slow training planes, known as T-6s, over enemy territory.

Their specific duty was to seek out camouflaged targets and to direct United Nations fighter and bomber aircraft to these targets. Their aircraft carried no protection.

At one time, Lt. Bryant and another pilot were attacked by three North Korean Yak fighter planes. It was only through skillful maneuvering that the Americans were able to evade the hos-

tile fire and return their little unarmed ships to the base.

On another occasion, Lt. Bryant was one of two pilots alerted for a reported tank column moving down the road

toward United Nations lines. They located the tanks and directed U.N. fighters and bombers to them. The Allied aircraft destroyed 17 of the enemy tanks.

"Although this type of flying is hazardous and uncomfortable," said Lt. Bryant, "every pilot finds keen satisfaction in supporting ground troops. We often thought how lucky we were in the air, even in an unarmed plane, when we viewed the struggle on the ground and the magnificent and sacrificial efforts of the ground combat Army and Marine forces, including the South Koreans."

Please Help Us

... to keep up with the news about Auburn graduates and former Auburn students who are now in service. Send any information, newspaper or magazine clippings you may have to The Alumni Association, Au-

burn, Alabama. If you are a former student and have been called to active duty we will continue to send you The Alumnus as long as we have your correct address. There is no charge for this.

The Placement Bureau

Jobs On Increase

THE demand for technically trained Auburn graduates is on the increase according to Scott Farley, '46, director of the Auburn Placement Bureau.

From present indications, the Bureau will be able to place "almost all of this quarter's graduating class."

Since its establishment in the spring of 1947 the Bureau has found jobs for an average of 300 graduates each year, or about 900 in all. The post-war rush for college graduates by all the major manufacturers provided Farley and his staff with their busiest period.

There was a slackening of available jobs after the initial upsurge, but today the curve is again on the rise.

The majority of those placed during the life of the Bureau have come from the School of Engineering. Other graduates who have found high demand are those with majors in business administration and accounting.

Today there is a growing demand for technically trained college graduates. Many of the openings are for those graduates who have been out of school several years and have acquired actual working experience in their line.

Mr. Farley has in his files letters from employers requesting recommendations on prospective employees

whose qualifications include several years experience. "If any of our alumni are interested in investigating these positions," he says, "I would be happy to correspond with them."

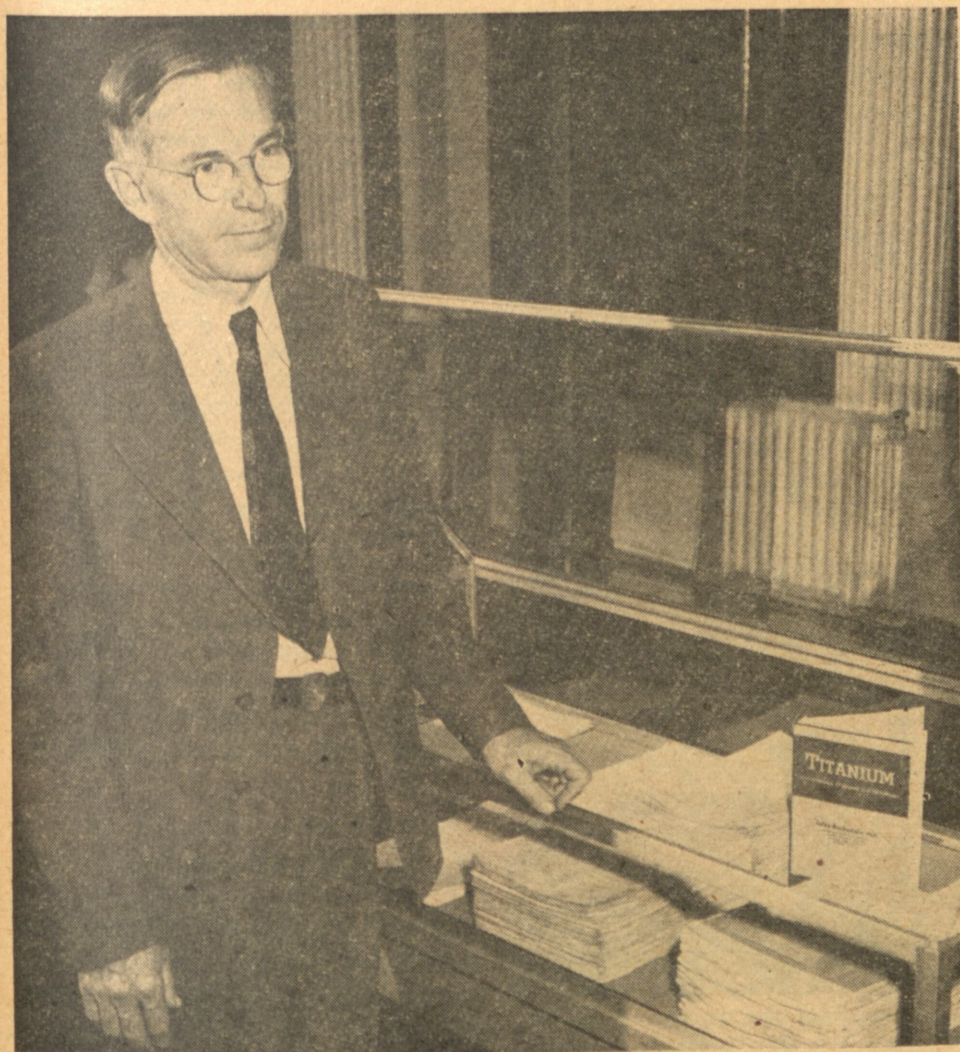
Among these jobs are many types of work, but most of them are technical in nature. Some of these are civil service jobs. The pay scales range from \$3625 to \$6000. Further information may be obtained from Director Farley.

Although designed to locate jobs for the Auburn students before they graduate, the work of the Bureau does not stop at commencement. They have placed many graduates long after their graduation.

The companies who regularly visit the campus to interview future graduates uniformly rank Auburn students high as prospective employees. Most of these companies make only one visit to Auburn each year.

This usually comes during the spring quarter. The majority of the companies have their training programs geared to take care of the big annual June graduating class, and at times as many as five interviewers use the bureau's facilities at the same time.

Established only three years ago, the Placement Bureau is today an important part of Auburn's service to its students.



PICTURED with a display of original manuscripts, typed pages, and galley proofs of his latest book, Titanium, is

Dr. Jelks Barksdale, of Auburn's School of Chemistry. A laboratory manual for use with the text will be published soon

Carlisle Was Tough, But...

DURING the past several years Auburn's loyal football followers have grown more and more accustomed to thinking in terms of "Who'll the Plainsmen upset this year?", but there are plenty of those same followers who can remember when the shoe was on the other foot.

Not only can they remember that time, they also take great pleasure in swapping yarns with their cronies about those great days.

There's something about past football victories that makes all of us feel like stoking up that old pipe, sitting in front of a crackling log fire, and talking about the way it was "when I was in school." Sometimes, maybe, we'll even let the other fellow get in

a story or two.

Occasionally an alumnus writes us about a game he remembers, one he played in or led cheers for or watched. This month we have just such a letter for you, and we think you'll enjoy it every bit as much as we did. It's a tale of the days when Auburn's grid squad was the most feared team in the South.

Those were the hey days of the immortal Mike Donahue and his fine Tiger teams. Those were the days when the Auburn eleven went out to do battle with the cream of the Southland—and of the nation—and usually came back to the Loveliest Village victorious.

Those were the days of Kirk Newell and Reynolds Tichenor, of

Baby Taylor and Beedy Bidez, of Robbie Robinson and Boozer Pitts. And this is a story of those last three men. It's a story of a gallant team that can claim, with no little support, that they were the best every to play for Auburn.

The team of 1915 achieved the greatest combined offensive-defensive record ever made at Auburn. They were undefeated. Not a single opponent was able to carry the ball across their goal line. In a post season game in Atlanta they met and defeated the famous Carlisle Indians, 7-0.

Coincidentally, that victory over Carlisle came thirty-four years, almost to the day, before another glorious Auburn win—the 14-13 game

with Alabama December 3, 1949.

After the Carlisle game Auburn claimed the championship of the South. Only a scoreless tie with Georgia marred their record. They held victories over Georgia Tech, Vanderbilt, Clemson, Florida, and Mississippi A & M. The rousing defeat of Carlisle was the climax of Auburn's finest football season.

Colonel Fabius Henry Kohloss, who was a senior at A.P.I. that year, remembers the day that great game was played. He's written a letter to *The Alumnus* about it and we're passing it along to our readers. Here's the story of that game as Col. Kohloss remembers it.



BEEDY Bidez alternated with Red Harris to carry the ball straight down the field in seven successive first downs for the only touchdown scored that day

... Auburn Was Tougher!

AUBURN'S thrilling upset victory over Alabama last December was something like another great Auburn victory—also a post-season game—on December 5, 1914. Auburn had completed an undefeated season marred only by a scoreless tie with Georgia on a muddy field.

The great Carlisle Indians, with their famous fullback Big Pete Calac and also with an undefeated season, were playing Auburn in Atlanta.

Students who could beg, borrow, or swipe rail fare, and many who rode the rods, were there. Even so, Langdon Hall was full and overflowing to hear the telegraph ticker play-by-play account.

As each message was ticked off and translated, the announcer read the play.

"Calac receives the kick-off and runs it back to his 32-yard line."

"Calac goes through right tackle for eight yards."

"Calac goes through center for six yards."

And so it went, with Calac carrying the ball on every play until;

"Calac goes through for nine yards, first down on Auburn's nine yard line. Goal to go."

"Hold 'em Auburn!"—the chant swelled in Langdon Hall until it seemed the roof would lift. And then;

"Boozer Pitts throws Calac for a seven yard loss!" The roof was beginning to float.

"Robbie Robinson cuts in at tackle and dumps Calac for a loss of four yards!" Who cares about that roof? Two more plays and Auburn takes over.

With Red Harris and Beedy Bidez alternating at fullback, Auburn went straight down the field in seven first downs to score! Lou Louisell kicked the goal—Auburn 7, Carlisle 0. And that's the way it ended.

And wasn't the North-South game a fitting finale for Travis Tidwell? Yes, we heard every play.

Henry Kohloss

Class of '15



BOOZER Pitts dropped Carlisle's famous Indian fullback, Pete Calac, for a loss of seven yards when Carlisle had a first down on the Auburn nine-yard line

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months he was stationed overseas in Honolulu and on Guam.

After the war he was traded by Detroit to Washington and since then has played for St. Louis, Boston, and now Philadelphia. Now, in the off season, he is a representative for the Wilson Sporting Goods Company.

From a Pine Grove

EVEN during the dozen years since he graduated, Auburn's physical plant has changed tremendously. At times Billy finds it hard to remember how things were during his student days. The campus wasn't nearly as developed then, and behind the president's home there was still a thick grove of pine trees. Today the pine grove is just a memory. The president had a new home and where the old pines were now stands the quadrangle, with four women's dormitories, a dining hall and a kitchen.

The football team practiced on Drake Field, and played their home games there—never more than one each year. The field was open, with only a wire fence around it and some wooden bleachers for the spectators. There wasn't any stadium. Where Cliff Hare Stadium is today, there was only a big gully. The freshmen practiced on old Rat Field, where the tennis courts are now, and the players used the old gymnasium.

"The vets used to have something



RELAXING with a pipe and *The Sporting News*, Billy keeps up with developments in baseball during the winter. On the table is a box of golf balls, and

Billy finds that the afternoons on the links help him stay in condition during the off season. He spends many hours in that chair, with a book and his pipe

over about where the press box is today," recalls Billy. "I don't know what they called it, but they used it for burning dead animals and when the wind blew over it toward Drake Field it used to deal us fits."

Remember This One?

AMONG his favorite stories is one Dr. Petrie used to tell on himself. His lectures were always popular, and he usually had at least one class in Langdon Hall. During quizzes Dr. Petrie wasn't able to keep everyone under observation, and he had a feeling that perhaps someone was lifting the answers from his cuff.

"One day he was sure he'd caught a boy at it," remembers Billy. "The boy would gaze up every now and then, look around, and then take a quick peek under his coat at his shirt cuff and start writing. Dr. Petrie was sure he had him."

"Quietly he came up behind the boy's seat and waited. Sure enough, in a few minutes he started to take another look at the cuff. Quick as a flash Dr. Petrie reached down, grabbed the boy's arm, and pulled up the coat sleeve so he could see the shirt cuff."

"There, printed in big letters, was CURIOSITY KILLED A CAT!"

Alumnalities

Brief sketches and news items
on Auburn's sons and
daughters

1881

In a letter accompanying his contribution to the Fourth Greater Auburn Fund D. F. Davenport, of Americus, Ga., wrote: "I have just passed my 90th birthday and want to always be identified with any Auburn connection. I have reason to love it, for I was very happy there." Mr. Davenport, who is in the real estate business in Americus, is one of Auburn's oldest living alumni.

1891

DEATH: Robert Clanton Smith died in Opelika last June 13. A graduate of the class of '91, Mr. Smith also attended the Law School at the University of Alabama and finished there in 1893. He practiced law for 57 years in Opelika and was twice elected to represent Lee County in the legislature.

1896

James W. Culver, of San Antonio, Tex., recently returned to that city after being away for a month. He and Mrs. Culver reside in Beacon Hill, near San Antonio.

1900

Harry Y. Hall writes that he has sold his stone house at Mt. Penn, Pa., and moved to Reading, Pa., where his address is Brookline Manor Apt. 5-C. Our thanks go to him for his help in bringing the alumni address files up to date on some of his classmates.

1909

Roger B. McWhorter, president of the '09 Alumni, has succeeded in locating or accounting for all the members of the class with the exception of William Thomas Owen, Jr., and Joseph Littleton Edwards. At the '09 reunion in Auburn last November 4-5, 41 members of the class returned. The next reunion has been set for the fall of '52 on the Friday before either the Tulane or the Clemson football game. Mr. McWhorter has been a member of the Federal Power Commission since 1931 and a member of the Canadian - U. S. International Joint Commission since 1939. His home is in Washington, D. C.

1918

DEATH: Mr. Forrest Grady Bridges, for 22 years mayor of Notasulga, died of a cerebral hemorrhage in Notasulga last Sept. 4. He was state senator at the time of his death and had served earlier as representative from Macon County.

G. C. Williams has resigned his position as teacher of vocational agriculture and FFA Adviser in Wortham, Tex., and is now assistant to the county superintendent of education of Freestone County, Tex. He lives in Fairfield, Tex.

1921

BIRTH: A son, Jonathan Eric, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Eric Wideberg on Sept. 24 at United Hospital in Port Chester, N. Y. Mrs. Wideberg is the former Gertrude Cuddibby. Mr. Wideberg is a member of the class of '21.

E. C. Easter, vice president of the Alabama Power Company and a past state commander for the American Cancer Society's annual drive for funds, was pictured in The Birmingham News recently as he, together with Henry P. Johnston, Jr., managing director of Radio Station WSGN and WSGN-FM, gave blood at the

Cancer Research Laboratories of the Medical College of Alabama to help develop a test for cancer.

1922

Our thanks to Julian C. Bailey for sending along the photograph of the old main gate which appears on this page. Mr. Bailey is associated with The Cin-

cinnatti Gas and Electric Company.

1927

G. B. Phillips, extension service livestock specialist, and James Nunn, '28, livestock specialist for the Central of Georgia R. R., served as judges at the Georgia Barrow Show held during September at Moultrie, Ga. . . Dr. Zed H. Burns, formerly dean at Shorter College, is now at Mississippi Southern College in Hattisburg, Miss.

1931

BIRTHS: A daughter, Miriam Louise, to Prof. and Mrs. Clarence Scarsbrook of Baton Rouge, La. Mrs. Scarsbrook, the former Mildred Moore, is a member of the class of '31. Prof. Scarsbrook holds membership in the class of '42.

1932

BIRTHS: A daughter, Patricia, to Mr. and Mrs. Render P. Gross, of Alexander City, last Sept. 15. Mrs. Gross is the former Zerline Lewis. Mr. Gross is a member of the class of '32.

1934

Nelson M. Snow, Jr., is district traffic manager for Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Columbia, Tenn. He has been there since Dec. 1, 1949, and writes that several "old" Auburnites have stopped by since he has been in Columbia and they've enjoyed discussing the good times they had back on the Plains. . .

Hugh S. Knowles is with Industrial Research Products, Inc., in Franklin Park, Ill.

1935

Maj. John R. Nettles has been transferred from MacDill Air Force Base, MacDill, Fla., to Langley AFB, Va. . . In a recent story on Montgomery's annual dairy exposition The Montgomery Advertiser paid high tribute to Harry Gilmore. Said the story in part: "That all three of Montgomery's previous expositions have been successes is a personal tribute to the man who originated



FOOTBALL rallies and colorful banners aren't anything new at Auburn. Back in the early 1920s, when this picture was made, the walk through the Main Gate, now paved, was just a dusty little lane

the events and has acted as superintendent for each of them. He is Harry S. Gilmore, Jr. Gilmore. . . personally directs the dairy show and takes an active part in the beef show each year in addition to his full time duties with the Montgomery First National Bank. (He has been assistant vice president since January of this year) . . . "Without the valuable assistance and leadership of Mr. Gilmore, it would be difficult to hold the show in Montgomery each year," said Chamber of Commerce Manager Paul B. Fuller. "The success of the show is due largely to his capable direction based on his background and experience with livestock." Born at Marion Junction, Dallas County, Harry Gilmore graduated from Auburn in 1935 with a degree from the School of Agriculture and with majors in animal husbandry and dairying. He became an assistant farm agent in Elmore County and was there until 1943. While there he inaugurated the purebred Jersey program which has been continued until, at the present time, there are more purebred Jerseys in Elmore than in any other Alabama county. In 1943 he became chief of the division of agricultural operations of the State Department of Corrections and Institutions. He directed prison farm work for four years, then joined the First National Bank of Montgomery as livestock representative in 1947.

1936

David B. Gibson has recently moved from Dade City, Fla., to Buffalo, N.Y. He is manager of the district office of Standard Electric Time Corporation in Buffalo. . . Mrs. Mills Whitelaw, the former Eleanor Boyd, is now in radio work in Panama City, Fla. She is currently doing two daily programs, "Mikeside With the Ladies" and "Fashions in Melody" and recently finished a series of interviews with college girls. The interviews consisted of discussions of the girls' attitudes toward their respective col-

Mrs. Whitelawleges, what they expected of college, what parents expected of students and students of parents, as well as the usual pertinent things such as dating, classes, clothing, and social activities. Mr. Whitelaw is in school at Auburn now and Mrs. Whitelaw writes that on a recent visit she "was amazed at the progress made since I was a happy-go-lucky coed."

1937

Mark S. Corr has moved from Old Hickory, Tenn., to Richmond, Va. While at Auburn Mr. Corr served as vice president of Omicron Delta Kappa, captain of Scabbard and Blades, major in ROTC, and was senior manager of the varsity football team. He was a member of Kappa Alpha social fraternity and held membership in Spades. . . William N. Womelsdorf is now enrolled in the Graduate School of Illinois Tech. He will be there for one year. . . Maj. Rolfe C. Searcy, Jr., is now overseas. His address is 1st Engineer Combat Battalion, APO 175, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y. . . Charles Donaho Robertson now resides in Santa Monica, Cal. A member of Kappa Sigma social fraternity, Mr. Robertson received his degree in aeronautical engineering. . . Mrs. Clyde O. Weekly, the former Eugenia Richards, now lives in Perdido. Mrs. Weekly received her B. S. in home economics. She was Home Demonstration Agent for Marion County from 1937 until 1941. After that she held the same position with Baldwin County until 1944. She served as director of the Junior Bay Minette Study

Club from 1944 until 1947. . . Birmingham's 406th Combat Engineer Battalion, called to active duty from its Organized Reserve status recently, is well represented with Auburn alumni. The unit is now attached to the 406th Engineer Brigade at Camp Rucker, Ala., where it is engaged in an interim training program. Among the officers serving with the unit are Maj. George M. Hildreth, '37; Lt. Winslow Pauly, '48; Lt. David C. Chichester, '48; Lt. Porter Aderholt, Jr., '49; Lt. Marion T. Williams, Jr., '50; Lt. Paul S. Lampkin, '50; Lt. Nick G. Lukes, '51; and Lt. Allen T. Smith, '51. Recently appointed acting Public Information Officer for the post was Lt. Mitchell R. Sharpe, '49.

1938

Maj. James O. Quimby, Jr., has been transferred to the chemical school at the Army Chemical Center in Maryland. Maj. Quimby is a member of Sigma Chi social fraternity. While at Auburn he held membership in Tau Beta Pi, Phi Lambda Upsilon, and Scabbard and Blade. . . Maj. Hoyt A. Jolly, Jr., has been transferred to Warner Robbins AFB in Macon, Ga. . . Lt. Col. James C. Stewart has been transferred to an overseas assignment. He has been assigned to the 36th Fighter Bomber Wing in Germany. Prior to his new assignment, Col. Stewart served as PAS&T of A.P.I.'s Air ROTC unit . . . Lt. Marion R. Pannell is in the 11th CIC Detachment, Fort McPherson, Ga. A member of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity, Lt. Pannell served as president of Keys and Captain of the Rifle Club while at Auburn. He also held membership in Scabbard and Blade and was lieutenant colonel in the ROTC unit as well as working on the staff of The Glomerata.

1939

MARRIED: Caroline Wood Perry to Julian Martin Fowler at the Little Church Around the Corner in New York City last Sept. 22. Mr. Fowler is a member of the class of '39. They will make their home in Atlanta.

Rex McKissick, first string end on Auburn's Orange Bowl Championship team, is now representative for Franklin Life Insurance Company in Montgomery. As a member of the '38 Plainsmen McKissick was a vital unit in what was one of the greatest lines ever to wear the Orange and Blue. In the Orange Bowl that season the Tigers held Michigan State to only 32 yards rushing as Auburn won,

6-0. The Spartans made only two first downs that afternoon. In addition to his gridiron skill, Rex was a polished performer on the basketball court. He captained the team in his senior year and was chosen as Auburn's most outstanding athlete. He held membership in Kappa Sigma social fraternity and in the "A" Club. After his graduation he was coach and teacher at Marion High School until entering the army. He spent 33 months overseas in the European theater and was honorably discharged with the rank of major in 1946. For the following four years he was employed as training specialist for the Veterans Administration. He joined the Franklin Life Insurance Company this year. . . Thomas C. Owen, assistant Cherokee County farm agent for the past five years, has joined the staff of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation. He will be assistant director of organization. Before joining the Alabama Extension Service Mr. Owen taught vocational agriculture at High-

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land Home and Hartselle. . . Mr. and Mrs. Andy E. Salis are now at College Station, Tex. Mr. Salis is working on his doctorate at Texas A & M, where he has been teaching. He is on leave from his teaching duties and will be until Feb. 1, 1951. Mrs. Salis is the former Jane Fair Billingsley. Both she and Mr. Salis hold membership in the class of '39. They have two children, Patricia Jane, age seven years, and Thomas Andy, age three years. . . Alvin W. Vogtle, Jr., recently became a partner in the law firm of Martin, Turner and McWhorter in Birmingham. . . Mr. and Mrs. Mark Evans now reside in Corning, N. Y. Mrs. Evans is the former Fannie Dee Kelley. Both are members of the class of '39. . . Epsie Smith Small is teaching the second grade at Central Elementary School in Phenix City.

1940

BIRTHS: A daughter, Charlotte Joanne, to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mitchell, of Wichita, Kan., last Aug. 8. Mrs. Mitchell, the former Charlotte Edwards, is a member of the class of '40.

Maj. John F. Watters is stationed at Maxwell Field in Montgomery. He is married to the former Jeannie Briggs of Bury-St. Edmund, Suffolk, England. The Watters have two young sons and the family is currently visiting in England. They will return to this country Dec. 8, after which Maj. Watters expects to be transferred to an overseas assignment.

1941

DEATH: Maj. Harold L. Wilson was killed when the B-25 twin engine medium bomber in which he was flying crashed near Wright - Patterson Air

Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, last Sept. 21. Maj. Wilson had been stationed at Wright Field for three years. After his graduation from Auburn, Maj. Wilson joined the armed forces. He was a pilot during World War II and flew five missions over Japan.

BIRTHS: A daughter, Susan Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Forrest D. Nixon last Sept. 5. Mr. Nixon is a member of the class of '41.

MARRIED: Shirley Anne Dasinger to John T. Morgan, Jr., at the First Baptist Church in Union Springs last Sept. 1. Mr. Morgan is a member of the class of '41.

Willmot G. Rhodes is now with the Department of Aviation, University of Oklahoma. Mr. Rhodes holds membership in Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity. While at A. P. I. he was active in Mu Beta Psi, I.A.S., the Auburn Aero Club, and N.I.F.C. He was a member of the band. . . Maj. Samuel M. Burney has been transferred from Fort Benning, Ga., to Camp Carson, Col. Maj. Burney held membership in Pi Tau Sigma and A.S.M.E.

1942

DEATH: Charles Irving Alton died Sept. 24 in a San Antonio, Tex., hospital following a three months illness with polio. Mr. Alton, a student in veterinary medicine at A.P.I. during the past year, held a reserve army commission. He was on active duty when stricken with polio in July. He received his bachelors degree in agricultural science in 1942. Mr. and Mrs. Alton lived in Opelika, where Mrs. Alton is director of music in Opelika's schools.

BIRTHS: A son, Byron Marshall, to Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Darnell of Notasulga on

last Aug. 3. Mr. Darnell is a member of the class of '42.

Henry D. Purswell is with the Cotton Producers Association in Atlanta. . . Fleet K. Hardy is with Rushton Railway Co. in Montgomery. Mr. Hardy is a member of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity. . . Lt. Irvin T. Quinn, Jr., has been transferred to an overseas assignment. His address is now APO 239-1, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Cal. Lt. Quinn is a member of Sigma Chi social fraternity. . . Dr. Otis H. Burnside has a veterinarian practice in Franklin, N. C. Dr. Burnside holds membership in Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity. . . Dr. Francis S. McCain has joined the A.P.I. Agricultural Experiment staff as associate plant breeder in the department of agronomy and soils. He will work primarily with corn improvement at the Tallassee Plant Breeding Unit. Dr. McCain received his Ph.D. in agronomy with a major in genetics and plant breeding from Purdue University. . . Dr. George



R. Ingram has been appointed associate professor of poultry husbandry on the staff of the A.P.I. agricultural experiment station. He will work with proteins and amino acids in broiler rations. Dr. Ingram received his B.S. degree in agricultural education in 1942 and following World War II entered the University of Wisconsin where he received his master's degree in 1949 and his doctorate in 1950. He holds membership in Phi Kappa Phi, Kappa Delta Pi, Gam-

ma Alpha, Sigma Xi, and Phi Lambda Epsilon honor societies.

1943

MARRIED: Madelyn Elizabeth Dees to Clark M. Hereford in Monroeville during October. Mrs. Hereford is a member of the class of '49. Mr. Hereford holds membership in the class of '43.

Lt. Charles Berry is in a student training regiment at Fort Benning, Ga. . . Lt. Clarence E. Thomas, Jr., has moved from Newport, R.I., to Pope, Ala. Lt. Thomas held membership in Alpha Lambda Tau social fraternity and in A.I.E.E. . . Dr. Ray R. Cowart now has a veterinary practice in Alexandria, La. Dr. Cowart is a member of Omega Tau Sigma. . . Sheldon Toomer is enrolled at New York University. Mr. Toomer reorganized and led the Auburn Knights after World War II. He worked with Moore-Handley Hardware Co. in Birmingham after his graduation. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity. . . Nolen D. Connor received his master's degree from Ohio State University in September. . . Dr. Woodrow Wilson Breland has joined the staff of Furman University. He is co-author of "Building Atlanta's Future", issued by the University of North Carolina Press in 1948, and another book, "Using Community Resources", which is to be published this year. He recently received his Ph.D. in education at the University of North Carolina where he was an editorial assistant at the Institute for Research in Social Science. He received both his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Auburn and while here held a graduate fellowship with the Research Interpretation Council. . . Luke Johnson is now in Houston, Tex. He is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity.

William Frank Darnell, '39

His Students Are His Friends

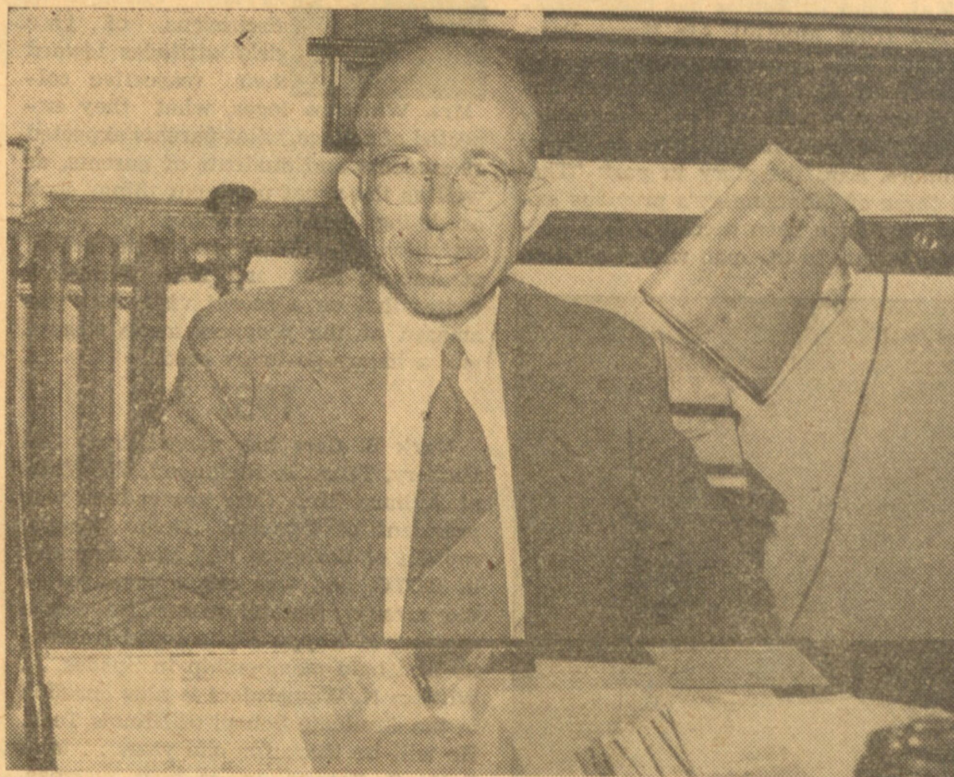
A USEFUL life, devoted to furthering the education of youth which might otherwise be neglected, may have been the goal of young William Frank Darnell, '39, back in the early 1920s. The pattern of his career in the years since then seems to bear that out. Only 46 now, he has already given more than half his life to teaching.

He was only 20 when he became principal of a little country school in the hills of Tallapoosa County. In those days one of the main sports of the big mountain schoolboys was teacher-baiting, and the community fathers went to great lengths to warn the principal of the troubles that were ahead of him. But if they expected him to back down, they didn't know their man very well.

He was only slightly built and stood four inches under six feet tall, but through his veins coursed the blood of intrepid Anglo-Saxon pioneer forefathers. And within him burned the fierce determination to complete the task he had set for himself.

On Saturday before the opening of school that fall he met the schoolboy ringleader, a powerfully built six-footer. Before a crowd of openly curious spectators at the general store, they eyed each other warily. The tension mounted, until someone mentioned hunting and a common ground had been found. Teacher and student, both loved the sport. The tension disappeared, and in no time the two were trudging the fields together, their double-barreled shotguns over their shoulders.

The same philosophy has carried Mr. Darnell through his teaching career, from that little country school to Phenix City's Central High School, where today



SMILING amiably, William F. Darnell, '39, directs the operation of Phenix City's Central High School from behind his glass-topped desk. A veteran of more than 25 years in the teaching

he is principal over 700 students and 25 teachers. He is, first, "a friend of the kids." That big schoolboy leader was the first of Mr. Darnell's student friends. The boy wielded a stern hand of control over his more revolutionary classmates throughout the school year.

Today Bill Darnell is forced to curtail his once vigorous activities to con-

profession, Principal Darnell earned his degree by attending summer school, doing correspondence work, and coming to Auburn Saturdays. He now seeks his master's degree the same way

serve his strength for the important task of guiding his school's destiny. At one time, however, he was kept busy with programs of athletics. One of Mr. Darnell's first deeds at the Thornton three-teacher school where he began his teaching career was to organize an athletic program. He taught the boys to play basketball and through the game

channelled their excess energies into an activity more beneficial to all concerned than the old standby, teacher-baiting.

On Thanksgiving Day, 1925, he married Miss Ethel Ellington, '49, of Loachapoka, and during the following year they both taught at Lee Bul-lard High in Lee County. In 1928 Mr. Darnell moved to Phenix City, where he was principal of Summerville Elementary School. Two years later he made his last move, to Central High. There he was coach of the football, basketball, and baseball teams. When the principal resigned in 1946, Mr. Darnell was named to take his place.

He completed his last two years of college the hard way. He attended summer school, took correspondence courses, and traveled to Auburn on Saturdays. It wasn't easy, but that didn't stop him. Today he is working on his master's degree in the same manner.

The Darnells have one child, William Robert, 16. Mr. Darnell is a Knights Templar Mason and chairman of the board of trustees of his church, Trinity Methodist. He retains his interest in athletics, even though his active participation has been halted. He now serves as athletic board chairman of Alabama's District Four.

Today, as he goes about his everyday duties of helping to prepare Alabama's young people for the life ahead of them, William Frank Darnell can look back on a life that has been interesting and useful. Truly, he is a man who has demonstrated those fine qualities that the late Dean Petrie must have had in mind when he penned the famous Auburn Creed.

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1944

Dr. L. D. Rodgers owns the Greenwood Veterinary Hospital in Greenwood, S. C. Dr. Rogers is a member of Omega Tau Sigma . . . Mayo H. Newton has moved from Fairfax to Post Falls, Idaho . . . Lt. William B. Taylor, Jr., has been assigned to the 200th Inf. Ala. National Guard, Mobile. While at Auburn Lt. Taylor was editor

of The Plainsman, president of the Auburn Players, and winner of the Delta Sigma Pi cup. He held membership in Phi Delta Theta social fraternity, Spades, Omicron Delta Kappa, Scabbard and Blade, Delta Sigma Pi, Pre Law Society, Squires, Phi Kappa Phi, and

was recognized in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.



1945

BIRTHS: A daughter, Nancy Leigh, to Mr. and Mrs. William Pierce in Tallahassee, Fla., last Sept. 5. Mrs. Pierce, the former Lois Swingle, is a member of the class of '49. Mr. Pierce, a member of the class of '45, is now teaching social studies at Leon High School in Tallahassee . . . A daughter, Carole Ruth, to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel D. Hataway of Troy last Aug. 19. Mrs. Hataway, the former Laura E. Tucker, is a member of the class of '45. Mr. Hataway, who played football for Auburn in 1944 and 1945, holds membership in the class of '48. They have another daughter, Cheri Lynn, age two.

MARRIED: Marilyn Ann Peterson to Raymond Booth Veasey, Jr., in Denver last Oct. 11. Mr. Veasey is a member of the class of '45 and holds membership in Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity.

Audrey T. Smith is an assistant home demonstration agent in Dothan . . . Dr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Raines now live in Madison, Wisc., where Dr. Raines is employed by the state of Wisconsin, Department of Agriculture, Division of Livestock Sanitation, as a field veterinarian. Mrs. Raines is the former Nancy Sallade. While at Auburn she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, Oracles, the Auburn Players, and WSGA. Both are members of the class of '45.

1946

James J. Franklin received his master's degree from Ohio State University last September. He recently attended the meeting of American Society of Horticulture Science at Columbus, Ohio, where he presented a paper on "Ornamental Plants." He has now resumed his teaching duties at A.P.I. . . . Malcolm B. McRee has moved from Pensacola, Fla., to Birmingham . . . Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Parkinson now reside in Charlottesville, Va. Mrs. Parkinson is the former Helen Chapman. While at Auburn she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Mr. Parkinson holds membership in the class of '47.

1947

BIRTHS: A daughter, Susan Neely, to Mr. and Mrs. Nall Nuckolls of Anniston last Sept. 3. Mr. Nuckolls, a member of the class of '47, holds membership in Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity. Mrs. Nuckolls is the former Mary Jane Hudson, '48. She is a member of Kappa Delta sorority.

MARRIED: Winifred Jean Hall to Nick Wilson Harris, Jr., at the Auburn Methodist Church last Aug. 26. Mrs. Harris is a member of the class of '47. While a student she was affiliated with Delta Zeta sorority, Cardinal Key, Kap-

pa Delta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi, and the Auburn Players . . . Juanita Marie Deason to Hollis C. Fenn at the First Baptist Church in Auburn last Sept. 17. Mr. Fenn holds membership in the class of '47 . . . Beverly Jean Haithcock to John Paul Foster at the Walker Memorial Methodist Church in Birmingham last Oct. 7. Mr. Foster is a member of the class of '47 and holds membership in Phi Kappa Phi social fraternity. . . Hilda Tucker to Jack C. Riley last June 3. They now reside in Tuscaloosa, where Mr. Riley is enrolled in the Law School of the University of Alabama. Mrs. Riley is teaching in Tuscaloosa City Junior High School. While a student at A. P. I. Mr. Riley served as vice president of the Student Executive Cabinet, president of Kappa Sigma social fraternity, and was honored in the 1946-47 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Lt. Louie Franklin is an academic instructor in the Pilot Instructor School at Craig Air Force Base. He is married to the former Juanita Cross of Andalusia and they have one daughter, Martha Ann, five months old. Lt. Franklin received his degree in aeronautical administration. He originally entered service in Jan., 1943, and is a veteran of eight months overseas service as a pilot with the Air Transport Command in the China-Burma-India theater. He is a member of Phi Kappa Tau social fraternity . . . Mr. and Mrs. James L. Sanders are now in New Haven, Conn., where Mr. Sanders is enrolled in the Graduate School of Yale University. He is working toward his master's degree in mechanical engineering and is teaching two labs each week. Mrs. Sanders, the former Elizabeth Kirk, is doing social work for the State of Connecticut in the Public Assistance Division. She is a member of the class of '47, Mr. Sanders, of '48.

. . . Cecil Romine is in business with his father in Cullman. They operate Romine's Clothing Store there . . . John B. Richardson is now on active duty with the Marines. His unit reported to Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Cal., last Sept. 1 . . . Edwin G. Lennep, Jr., has moved from Moss Point, Miss., to Hattisburg. Mr. Lennep is a member of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity and while at A.P.I. was affiliated with Alpha Phi Omega and ASME . . . Aviation Cadet Carl R. Gipson has been transferred from Connally AFB, Waco, Tex., to Ellington AFB, Houston . . .

John W. Dowling is with W. C. Backus Brokerage Co. in Paducah, Ky. . . . Cornelius J. Benton is with Chickamauga Drug Co., Chickamauga, Ga. . . James E. Dykes may be reached at Texas Tech, Lubbock, Tex. He is with the Division of Business Administration there.

1948

BIRTHS: A daughter, Jo-Anne, to Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge Wehunt of Selma last Aug. 14. Mr. Wehunt is a member of the class of '48.

MARRIED: Eva Roselle Allen to W. Hugh Thorp in Phenix City last Aug. 26. Mr. Thorp is a member of the class of '48 and is at present serving as Warrent Officer with the National Guard in Opelika. . . Ann Ledbetter to Louis H. Lackey in the chapel of the Baptist Church in Columbus, Ga., last Oct. 15. Mr. Lackey, a member of the class of '48, is now employed by Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company as an engineer. They will make their home in Charlotte, N. C.

Charles A. Swanson is teaching in the high school at Bay Minette. . . Cecil G. Davis is an assistant county agent in Eutaw. Mr. Davis is a member of Alpha Gamma Rho social fraternity. . . Dr. Jonas R. Brooks has a veterinary prac-

tice in Alexandria, La. . . Bobby Humphrey is now in Birmingham, where he is employed in the district office of Allis - Chalmers. . . Austin C. Higgins is with Goodyear Service Co. in Birmingham. . . Maj. Stephan A. Grant has been transferred to the U. S.



Naval Amphibious Training Center in San Diego, Cal. . . Louis Romine is manager of Romine's Clothing Store in Hanceville. . . Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. Timberlake are living in New Orleans where Mr. Timberlake is enrolled at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Mrs. Timberlake is the former Anita Harris, '48. She is working as a technician at the Southern Baptist Hospital there. Mr. Timberlake is a member of the class of '49 . . . Hugh W. Griffith, Jr., is employed by Sangamo Electric Co. in Springfield, Ill. . . C. A. (Jocko) Norton, football coach at Luverne High School, was a recent speaker at a meeting of the Luverne Rotary Club. Coach Norton was a member of the '47 and '48 Auburn football teams . . . Mildred Lamar recently completed a course in stewardess training in Atlanta and is now employed by Delta Air Lines as flight stewardess. . . Franklyn G. Broyles is office manager of the Renaud-Helburn Co. in Montgomery. . . Frances Parsons now resides in Birmingham.

1949

BIRTHS: A son, Terrell Allen, to Mr. and Mrs. Needham A. Brown, of Baltimore, Md., last Mar. 9. Mrs. Brown is the former Elizabeth Dixon. Both are members of the class of '49. Mr. Brown is now employed as a junior engineer in the Chemical Engineering Experiment Station, Annapolis, Md. . . A daughter, Paula Kay, to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Reid of Cullman last June 30. A member of the class of '49, Mr. Reid is now employed with Farmers Home Administration. . . A son, Phillip Thomas, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Thomas Heffernan of Chicago last July 18. Mrs. Heffernan, the former Mildred Lippitt, is a member of the class of '49. . . A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Silvernail of Mobile last Aug. 30. Mrs. Silvernail is the former Helen Walden. Mr. Silvernail is a member of the class of '49.

MARRIAGES: Jane Todd McCain to John M. Reagan, Jr., at Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Southern Pines, N.C., last Aug. 31. Mr. Reagan holds membership in the class of '49. . . Ethel Rhodes to Frank Scott at the Greensboro Baptist Church in Greensboro last Sept. 22. The couple reside in LaFayette, where Mr. Scott is associated with the Veterans Training Program of Chambers County. He is a member of the class of '49. . . Ann Bullock Boyd to William T. Ogletree at the First Presbyterian Church in Montgomery last Oct. 7. Mr. Ogletree is a member of the class of '49. . . Sarah Thompson Lanier to Malcolm Clifton Davenport, Jr., at the home of the bride in West Point, Ga., last Oct. 14. Mrs. Davenport, a member of Kappa Delta sorority, holds membership in the class of '50. Mr. Davenport is a member of the class of '49. His fraternity is Pi Kappa Alpha. . . Peggy Ann Barks to Blacksher White-Spunner at the First Baptist Church in Mobile in October. A member of the class of '49, Mr. White-Spunner holds membership in Sigma Chi social fraternity. . . Evaleah Willingham to Dawson Eugene Fuller. Mr. Fuller is a member of the class of '49.

Carolyn Ellis is teaching mathematics and accompanying glee club and dancing classes at All Saints Episcopal College, Vicksburg, Miss. . . Charles A. Walton is assistant professor of pharmacy in the University of Kentucky's

College of Pharmacy. He received his master's degree from Purdue last August. . . Ray Fowler has been ordered back to active duty with the Air Force. He reported to Reese Field, Tex., last Sept. 4. His rank is first lieutenant. . . Eldred Humphries was awarded first prize in behalf of the Alabama Society of Architects. The award is made annually to the graduating senior who has distinguished himself in Architectural Design. Robert D. Lee, '50, was winner of second prize. . . Mrs. Sara T. Eddins is stock control clerk in the buying department of Moore - Handley Hardware Co. in Birmingham. . . Dr. B. C. Merritt has a veterinary practice in Lyons, Ga. . . Thomas M. Derickson, Jr., is office manager for Gulf Area Builders Supply, Inc., in Montgomery. . . Robert H. Rountree is now enrolled at Stanford University. . . Wesley C. Ellis is teaching glee club and general music at Murphy High School in Mobile. . . James H. Elliott is teaching in the Veterans Vocational Agriculture program in Horton. . . Floyd F. Norris has enlisted in the Navy. His address is HSSR335-54-58, Co. 295, 81st Btl., Great Lakes, Ill. . . Louis L. Johnson is in his second year of medical school at the Medical College in Birmingham. . . Harlin L. Bunn is now employed by Magnavox Co., Fort Wayne, Ind. He received his master's degree in electrical engineering from Purdue University last Aug. 20. . . Lt. Joseph H. Sheffield is in the Signal Branch of the Berlin Military Post. His overseas address is APO, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y. . . Lt. Cmdr. Howard T. Scott, Jr., has been assigned to the U. S. S. Charles R. Ware. Mail will reach him c/o FPO, New York, N. Y. . . H. P. Ward is a junior engineer in the Birmingham District of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. . . Herbert Hartzog is with Irby Construction Co. in Jackson, Miss. . . Robert C. Brown, Jr., is a chemical engineer with E. I. DuPont in Pitman, N. J.

1950

BIRTHS: A son, Michael Allen, to Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge Rogers last Aug. 27. Mr. Rogers is a member of the class of '50. . . A son, William Riley, to Dr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell of Sylacauga last Aug. 29. Dr. Campbell holds membership in the class of '50. . . A daughter, Deborah, to Mr. and Mrs. James H. Hicks of Sylacauga last Sept. 28. Mrs. Hicks, the former Annette Bennett, is a member of the class of '51. Mr. Hicks holds membership in the class of '50.

MARRIAGES: Anne L. Johnson to Ernest W. Revels, Jr., last July 30. Mrs. Revels is a member of the class of '50. She now teaches physical education at Landon High School, Jacksonville, Fla. . . Lovie Jeanne Kilgore to Clarence Earl Sellers at the First Methodist Church in Union Springs last Aug. 19. Mr. Sellers is a member of the class of '50, Mrs. Sellers, of '52. . . Daisy Louise Wilburn to James Clyde Little at the First Baptist Church in Demopolis last Sept. 2. Mr. Little served as president of the Auburn Independent Organization, editor of The Alabama Farmer, and was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa. Mrs. Little attended Judson College before coming to Auburn. He is a member of the class of '50, she, of '52. . . Dollie Gwendolyn Horton to Henry Clinton Conner at Holy Redeemer Rectory in Eufaula last Sept. 2. A member of Sigma Nu social fraternity, Mr. Conner holds membership in the class of '50. . . Grace Erwin Holloway to Thomas Everett Duncan at the Methodist Church in Fitzpatrick last Sept. 23. Mr. Duncan is a member of the class of '50. . . Sally Maner Holt to Warren Carl Moran in Augusta, Ga., last Oct. 14. A member of Phi Mu sorority, Mrs. Moran was featured in the beauty section of both the 1948 and 1949 Glomeratas. She is a member of the class of '50. . . Eleanor

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Alumnalities

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Janney to Raymond Werden, Jr., at the First Presbyterian Church in Montgomery last Oct. 28. Mrs. Werden is a member of the class of '50, while Mr. Werden holds membership in the class of '49. . . Elizabeth Jones to Hillman Minor McWhorter in Fayette last September. Mr. McWhorter is a member of the class of '50.

James R. Mayfield is secretary-treasurer of Baker-Maddox Co. in Macon, Ga. . . After completion of indoctrination training at the Wave Recruit Training School, Great Lakes, Ill., Seaman Martha Rainer was assigned to the District Personnel Office at Charleston, S. C. . . Betty Brown and Wilda Fay, both members of the class of '50, were appointed new dietitians on the A. P. I. dietary staff. . . Florence Gothberg is a professional swimmer for the St. Petersburg Spring Co., Weekiwechee Spring, Fla. . . Jo Ann Mallory works in the statement department of Anniston's First National Bank. . . William Tanner, Jr., is an engineering draftsman in the manufacture and repair department of Westinghouse Corp. in Atlanta. . . Alan McDowell is with Allis-Chalmers in Milwaukee, Wis. . . Gordon Hallmark recently received a cash award of \$25 from the James F. Lincoln Arm Welding Foundation, Cleveland, Ohio, for a paper entitled "Design of a Completely Arc Welded Combination of Punch and Shear." The paper was entered in a nation-wide competition. . . Ensign Watt W. Jordan, Jr.,



who received his commission as Ensign, USN, during last August's graduation exercises, has been transferred to an undisclosed destination. . .

. . . Marilyn Jones is a laboratory technician at Emory University Hospital. . . Patty Reeve is teaching in the elementary schools in Columbus, Ga. . . Mrs. Evelyn B. Johnson is a first grade teacher at Northside School in Opelika. . . Paul H. Blackwell is a time study observer in the tube division of the Wolverine Co. in Decatur. . . Hezzie R. Brannon, Jr., is enrolled in the Graduate School of A. P. I. He is doing graduate work in physics. . . Don A. Findley is an accountant trainee with the Buckeye Cotton Oil Co. in Augusta, Ga. . . Bill Fleming is a regular officer in the Marine Corps. He is at Quantico, Va. . . Robert B. Gentry is a clerk with Montgomery Fair in Opelika. . . Thomas V. James is chief clerk in the Morgan County PMA Office. . . John B. McBride, Jr., is with Brice Building Co., Inc., in Birmingham. . . Albert R. Malone, Jr., is a salesman for Swift Ice Cream in Montgomery. . . Dr. Francis B. O'Neal has a veterinary practice in Centre. . . Osie G. Rearden, Jr., is an appliance salesman with Hewke-Pilot, Inc., in Houston, Tex. . . Dr. Howard W. Winkler is practicing veterinary medicine in Philadelphia, Miss. . . Noll A. Van Cleave, Jr., is a technical control forester with Union Bag and Paper Co. in Savannah, Ga. . . Eugene R. Cox is a junior engineer with the Philco Corp. in Philadelphia, Pa. . . William L. Hyde is teaching vocational agriculture in Double Springs. . . Dr. Dan G. Parmer is an assistant to Dr. D. M. Glenn in Shreveport, La. . . Staff Sergeant Christopher H. Russell, Jr., is stationed at Barksdale AFB, La. . . A. Kent Van Cleave is forester for St. Regis Paper Co. He is working in the Woodlands Division in Atmore. . . Leland L. Hart is agent for Liberty National - Brown Service Life Insurance Co. in Huntsville. . .

Jeffie Cowart is pharmacist for Corner Drug Store in Florence. . . Raymond A. Robinson is assistant county supervisor with the Farmers Home Administration in Clanton. . . Joseph P. Gwyn, III, is insurance auditor and inspector with Atwell, Vogel, and Sterling in Norfolk, Va. . . Paul L. Mussleman is teaching at Opelika High School. . . Frank G. Manley is attending A.P.I. on a teaching fellowship. . . John A. Westcott, Jr., is an engineer with the State Highway Department in Montgomery. . . Hobson Watson, Jr., is cashier for Vulcan Life and Accident Insurance Co. in Enterprise. . . John D. Poole, Jr., is manufacturing assistant with Southern Dairies in Birmingham. . . Thomas R. Perry is an engineer with Jones Sheet Metal and Machine Works in Opelika. . . William T. McCarley is an ensign in the USN. He is now in Washington, D.C. . . Manley P. Lee is farming near Marion Junction. . . Bedford A. Lampkin is a junior engineer with Bagby Elevator and Electric Co. in Birmingham. . . Kenneth S. Kirkwood is farming near Waverly. . . Willie L. Johnson is working in the cotton department of Langdale Mill in West Point, Ga. . . Harold C. Ingram is employed in the order analysis department of Russell Manufacturing Co. in Alexander City. . . Ferrell D. Hale is waste control man with Langdale Mill in West Point, Ga. . . Frank W. Davies, Jr., owns Davies and Co. His office is in the Brown-Marx Building in Birmingham. . . William P. Anderson, Jr., opened his own drug store in Eclectic. . . Martha Ann Smith is a teacher in Carlisle Grammar School near Boaz. . . Ann Klein is a case worker for the Lee County Welfare Department in Opelika. . . Mary Ann Harbin is teaching the fifth grade at Ramer. . . Jane Cason is loan investigator for Citizens and

Southern National Bank in Atlanta. . . Marion Blanton is teaching in Nokomis, Fla. . . Gussie Arnett is a student technician at Jefferson-Hillman Hospital in Birmingham. . . Nancy Waltz is first grade teacher at Vestavia School in Birmingham. . . Sarah Jane Kent is teaching the sixth grade at Jackson School in Birmingham. . . Mrs. Clara D. Helms is teaching English at Central High School in Phenix City. . . James T. Brown is working in the plant department of Southland Telephone Co. in Atmore. . . Dr. William W. Clements has a veterinary practice in Crossville, Tenn. . . George A. Mattison, III, is an engineer with Woodstock Slag Corp. in Birmingham. . . Ewin Moody is pharmacist with Pelham Drug Co. in Andalusia.

1951

MARRIED: Barbara Vinson to Graham Everidge in Pascagoula, Miss., last Mar. 18. Mrs. Everidge is a member of Delta Zeta sorority. Mr. Everidge holds membership in Spades, Blue Key, Sigma Pi social fraternity, and is business manager of the 1951 Glomerata. Both are members of the class of '51. . . Lois Sadler to Jefferson Gilbert Beale at the Methodist Church in Lownesboro last Sept. 30. Mr. Beale, '51, holds membership in Phi Delta Theta social fraternity.

1952

MARRIED: Stella Frances Byars to Richard Dale True at the First Presbyterian Church in Greensboro last Sept. 16. Mr. True is a member of the class of '52. He holds membership in Kappa Alpha social fraternity.

In Telephone Work

Malone and Gilmer Move Up

WHEN Frank M. Malone, '28, was elevated from his position as general commercial manager of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company to an assistant vice presidency in the New York offices of American Telephone and Telegraph another Auburn graduate, Ben S. Gilmer, '26, was named his successor.

For both men the promotions were only the latest in a rapid series of up-the-ladder steps they have made in the last several years.

Frank Malone came to Auburn



NOW assistant vice president in the New York offices of AT & T, Frank M. Malone, '28, reflects on 22 years of service to company and to alma mater

from Florence, where he was born and reared. He received his degree in electrical engineering in 1928 and during his four years at Auburn he served notice to the world that here was a man destined to rise in life.

His list of honors in the '28 Glomerata reads like an index of campus activities. Everything is on it. He held membership in Spades and Eta Kappa Nu. He was president of Blue Key. He was a member of Scarabs, which was shortly thereafter to join the national honorary, Omicron Delta Kappa. He belonged to Scabbard and Blade and Alpha Phi Epsilon, Phi Delta Gamma and the Interfraternity Council.

He was a representative on the Honor Committee, serving one term as secretary - treasurer and another as vice-president. He took ROTC for four years and was cadet lieutenant in his senior year.

He was active in the student chapters of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and the Society of American Military Engineers. He belonged to the Websterian Literary Society and Kappa Kappa Psi. For four years he was a member of the Auburn Band and in his senior year was vice president of the band. Finally, he belonged to Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity.

After his graduation Frank Malone joined Southern Bell in Atlanta, where he worked as a student in the traffic and commercial departments in Georgia, North Carolina, and Alabama.

Then, in 1941, he was appointed district manager in Asheville, N. C., and later held similar positions in Jackson, Miss., and Atlanta. In 1945 he returned

to Alabama as district manager and on January 1, 1950, he was appointed general commercial manager of the Southern Bell system. His newest promotion became effective on July 16, as did that of Ben Gilmer.

Throughout his busy career with Southern Bell and now with its parent organization, American Telephone and Telegraph, Frank Malone has maintained a close contact with Auburn. He has long been active in the Alumni Association, and is just completing his second successive term as its president.

Ben Gilmer graduated from Auburn in 1926 with a degree in electrical engineering. He went right to work in telephone service, working first in the Birmingham plant department. Later in that same year he was transferred to commercial engineering work in the company's general offices in Atlanta. He was there for 12 years until, in October, 1938, he was appointed rate engineer.

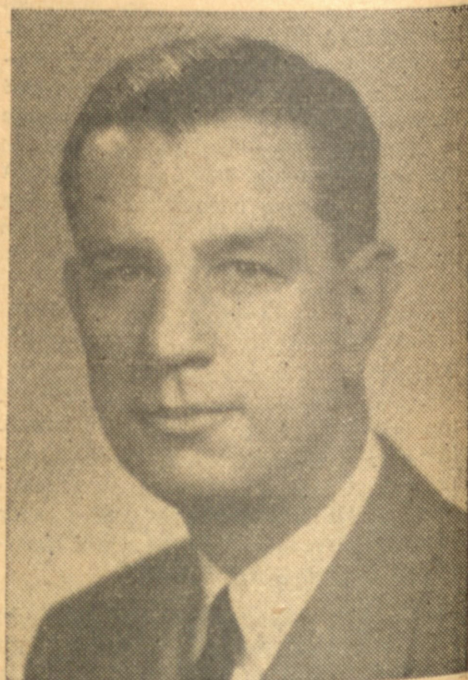
Forty - three months later Ben Gilmer left Southern Bell for the first time since his graduation from college. The parting was only temporary, however. He entered the armed forces in May, 1942, and by the time he was separated in 1945 he had risen to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Army Air Forces.

He rejoined Southern Bell that year as general development and revenues engineer and in hardly no time he was back on the path he'd given up when he'd entered the service.

He was appointed assistant vice president in the executive department September 1, 1948, and held that post until he became Louisiana manager.

This was his position when his latest promotion was announced.

During his student days Ben Gilmer, like Frank Malone, exhibited a capacity for work and a flair for organization. A member of Kappa Sigma social fraternity, he was a representative on the Interfraternity Council. He worked on the 1925 Glomerata as advertising manager and was business manager of the 1926 book. In addition to his publication activities, he held membership in Blue Key, Founders Club, and Co-tillion Club.



NAMED to succeed Frank Malone as general commercial manager of Southern Bell was Ben S. Gilmer, '26, who prior to the promotion was Louisiana manager